

FACTORY ACREAGE RAISED BY FARMERS

The necessary acreage to assure the operation of the Akin-Sikeston Canning Factory was contracted for Saturday night as the result of the most enthusiastic farmers meeting that has been held in Sikeston in many years. Over 150 farmers were present and listened to the talks made by the representatives of the Akin Canning Company, W. F. Akin and Freeman Lang and State and Railroad Agricultural Specialists.

The following acreage was subscribed: (First number being tomato acreage, second bean). Henry Ward, 2, 2; W. W. Cary, Matthews, 1, 1; F. A. Butler, Matthews, 1, 1; J. J. Reiss, Sikeston, 2, 1; S. W. Applegate, Sikeston, 6; Grover Baker, Sikeston, 10, 5; V. L. Potter, Matthews, 1, 1; Cox and Matthews, Sikeston, 3; Marian McFarland, Sikeston, 2, 1; T. W. Gardner, Sikeston, 5, 2; B. G. Gibson, Sikeston, 2 1/2, 1/2; Earl Swartz, Matthews, 1, 1/2; Frank Van Horne, Sikeston, 4, 5; W. C. Critchlow, Matthews, 2, 1; E. L. Crumpecker, Morehouse, 2, 4; O. R. Fahrnkoff, Sikeston, 5, 1; Jennie Stubblefield, Sikeston, 1, 1; W. V. Stancil, Matthews, 6, 1; W. R. Bimford, Matthews, 3, 2; C. L. Piercy, Matthews, 3, 1/2; Jim Cook, Matthews, 3, 2; Charles E. Kaufman, Sikeston, 2, 1; Louis Kern, Matthews, 2; W. L. Smith, Sikeston, 1; J. W. Baker, Jr., Sikeston, 2, 1; Theodore Hopper, Sikeston, 5; W. H. Kelley, Sikeston, 5, 1; W. S. Cherry, Matthews, 3; W. O. Carroll, Cape Girardeau, 2, 1; Earl Cochran, 5, 1; J. W. Gwaling, Sikeston, 3, 1; Oscar Collins, Sikeston, 1; M. L. Robertson, Sikeston, 3, 1; Leonard Pharris, Sikeston, 3, 1; F. M. Sikes, Sikeston, 15, 5; Olpha Vick, Sikeston, 3, 5; C. H. Carter, Sikeston, 2; Olpha Vick, Sikeston, 8, 8; Fred Ralph, Sikeston, 1; Van Watkins, Sikeston, 5, 1; C. A. York, Sikeston, 2, 1; Will Powell, Bertrand, 2, 1; F. J. Fadler, Sikeston, 1, 1/2; R. Q. Brown, Sikeston, 3, 1; Hez Ozment, Sikeston, 2, 1; D. L. Daugherty, Matthews, 1, 1; James Dye, Morehouse, 1, 1; Archy Cook, 1, 1; William H. Tanner, Sikeston, 1, 1; Charles Pierce, Sikeston, 1; E. E. Smoker, Matthews, 10, 2; C. A. Critchlow, Matthews, 2; Grover Keller, Sikeston, 1, 2; W. H. Sikes, Sikeston, 20, 2; Earl Mitchell, Morehouse, 1; P. V. Brannum, 1; Fred Dunn, Sikeston, 2, 1; I. R. Graham, Sikeston, 2, 1; Otto Hopelin, Morehouse, 2, 1; G. A. Byrum, Sikeston, 1, 1; J. W. Smith, 5, 1.

The following, who did not contract to grow tomatoes, signed up for bean acreage: Murray Phillips, New Madrid, 5; C. W. Burnett, 1; Baker Waldman.

EASTER PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Easter Sunday at the Methodist church will be observed with an unusually good musical program at both services.

A double quartette will sing, "Ye Bells of Easter Day" (violin obligato) by Dussler and an arrangement for violin, piano and organ of Meditation by Mietke will be rendered. The double quartette will also sing, "King of Kings" by Semper at the evening service. Easter organ numbers will be used at both services.

Personnel of choir: Sopranos: Mrs. Charles Bowman, Miss Lillian Shields. Contraltos: Misses Lottie Dover and Ruth Wilkerson. Tenors: Wilbur Ensor and Merlin Granneman. Basses: Harry Dover and Ralph Anderson. Violin: Miss Helen Welsh. Piano: Mrs. Frank Van Horne; organist, Mrs. Henry J. Welsh.

JUDGE FINCH TO ADDRESS DRAINAGE ASS'N.

Judge James A. Finch of Cape Girardeau will be one of the speakers at the annual meeting of the National Drainage Association at Memphis, Tenn., April 20.

The principal business of the meeting will be to discuss and formulate plans for carrying on the work of the association for the year and to elect officers. J. H. Himmelberger of Cape Girardeau is a member of the organization committee.

Were you ever surprised?

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Parker of Blodgett were Sikeston visitors Tuesday afternoon.

Col. Roper of the staff of the Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn., was a Sikeston visitor Tuesday. From here he went to Morehouse to secure some photographic views of the Himmelberger-Harrison Lumber mill.

You will be surprised!

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

John Spence, Jr., official U. S. weather observer, measured 4.63 in. of rainfall as the precipitation of Tuesday night. This is the most rain that has ever fallen in twenty-four hours in this district since official observation of weather was established. The next largest rain fell in January of this year when 2.35 inches fell. To date there has been 27.94 inches of rain this year, against a normal annual allotment in three and a half months. It has rained ten days out of the first thirteen in the month of April. In January 9.31 inches fell, in February 1.77, and in March 7.70. Mr. Spence expects to see an abnormally dry summer and fall, and advises all interested to be ready and get their ground in crops in a rush when weather permits. He points out that the ground is unusually hard and packed, which will make clay impossible to handle once it has dried out.

Warren Sarff was first and Brownie Hinson was second in the high school elimination contest in oration Monday night. There were nine contestants. Virginia Harrison was first and Jewell Hall second in readings. The judges were Supt. Fred Miller of Blodgett, Mrs. M. Hux and N. McMullin of Essex were judges. Supt. A. W. Deneke has given a great lot of attention to these activities and expresses himself as well pleased with the showing made.

Dr. H. M. Kendig of Sikeston removed the tonsils of Mrs. Bryce Edwards Wednesday. The operation was very successful.

SIX CLUBS FOR SEMO BASEBALL LEAGUE

J. P. Whidden, president of the Sikeston Baseball Club, received a communication from A. L. Biffle, president of the Southeast Missouri League Thursday to the effect that Cape Girardeau had decided to join the league. As Cairo has already expressed her willingness to come into the association this will assure a six club league for this season.

President Biffle has issued a call for a league meeting at Sikeston this Sunday to thresh out the final details concerning the schedule and the by-laws governing the league.

WESTMINSTER GLEE CLUB SANG HERE WEDNESDAY

The Glee Club of Westminster College, at Fulton, gave a varied program Wednesday night at Malone Theatre. The program consisted of numbers by the club, quartette, celloist, cornetist and orchestra and a chalk talk by one of the club members.

It was a well balanced program, well rendered and appreciated by the small audience who braved the inclement weather.

You will be surprised!

Mrs. Lola Malcolm Smith from Gideon was in Sikeston Tuesday to spend the day with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Malcolm.

It will be some surprise!

Elmos Taylor came in from St. Louis Thursday morning, where he had been at the bedside of his wife, who was operated on at Missouri Baptist Hospital, Tuesday forenoon, for goiter. He reports Mrs. Taylor as doing well as could be expected for so serious an operation. She was in fine physical condition for the operation and the thoughts of her children and husband at home gives her added strength to fight for returned health.

You will be surprised!

Since 1909 no Missouri Legislature has accomplished so much for game and fish as the General Assembly just closed. It was in 1909 that the law providing for hunting and fishing licenses and establishing the Game and Fish Department, as it is now formulated, was passed. Not since then has a Missouri Legislature put on as much constructive legislation as they did in the recent session. Outstanding among the enactments of this last Legislature was the passage of the auxiliary game refuge and public shooting grounds bill. These refuges, augmenting those of the state park system, are the greatest advanced steps that could have been taken for the upbuilding of game in Missouri. Of equal importance to the fishermen is the new law that closes the season for game fish during their spawning season, and other law prohibiting the sale of game fish and establishing a creel limit, which specifies the total number of game fish that may be taken by one person in one day.

Col. Paul B. Moore and Mrs. Moore passed through Sikeston Tuesday afternoon on their way to their home in Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Dess Bloomfield left Tuesday afternoon for Raymondville, Texas to join the Sikeston colony in that city. Dess will be connected with a cotton company of that city.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar at the church Saturday, offering for sale, colored Easter eggs, aprons, candies and other novelties. You are requested to attend.

Louis Watkins and son, John, about Vanduser have placed an order for 2000 White Leghorn chicks to be delivered around May 1. They will be shipped from Kirksville, Mo., and are from a heavy egg laying strain. They will have new quarters ready when the chicks arrive.

Constable Jewell is in receipt of a letter from the Standard Oil Co., stating that a check for \$100 was being sent to him in payment for the part he played in apprehending the thieves who held up and robbed a Standard Oil Station at Cairo a few weeks ago. The balance of the reward of \$250 went to the officers at Dexter. These were the youths that officers had such a hard time in running down after their flight to Poplar Bluff and return.

U. S. FRAUD ORDER HALTS MISSOURI FARM LAND FIRM

Washington, April 11.—A fraud order issued today by the Postoffice Department against the Marston, Missouri Farms, M. Gawansky of Chicago, and H. Seiller of Copenhagen, Denmark, disclosed how a group of American and Continental operators were using lands in New Madrid County and the American immigration laws to obtain money from prospective immigrants to this country.

According to a report, filed by Acting Solicitor W. E. Kelly, Gawansky and his associates advertised in foreign language newspapers in this country and abroad that if the prospective immigrant would make a part payment on 40 and 50-acre farms at Marston they would be given preferred standing in their applications for visas to this country.

The report stated that Gawansky and Seiller admitted to the postoffice inspectors that they had not secured entry into the country for a single foreigner on whose behalf land had been purchased from them. In response to an advertisement appearing in a Hungarian newspaper printed at Cleveland, Gawansky wrote that his firm was willing to get the agriculturist visa for the prospective

immigrant were willing to buy at at least 40 acres of land at Marston. The price for this land with a house was \$5000, upon which an initial payment of \$750 in cash was demanded. For 40 acres of land not entirely cleared and without a house, the price was \$3500, and the initial payment \$400 in cash.

"The down payment of \$750 or \$400 at the time of signing contract must be deposited at a local bank", the letter said. "Besides the down payment everyone must have a few hundred dollars, that the necessary equipment may be bought. You can purchase these on payment. In the winter one can work in the sawmill of the city of St. Louis. Naturally everyone can sell their farm as he desires and go wherever he pleases. Therefore, no one is bound to the farm for a long time. To our sorrow we are not any longer capable, as formerly, of selling one farm to two or three partners, but whoever wants to come to the United States quickly has to buy at least one 40-acre farm".

The letter stated that 6500 acres of land were available to prospective immigrants.

"Since not long ago we carried through successfully the sending of the first settlers, we can begin with the second", the letter continued. "We request therefore that if you want to

come to the United States by this means and with your family settle on our farms, fill out punctually the enclosed Hungarian questionnaire and send at once with \$25 for expenses, upon which we will send to you the contract for signature, which later must be sent to Washington that we make take the necessary steps for obtaining the immigration permit.

"The \$25 expenses which are here and in Washington, which every buyer must naturally pay, is under no consideration a down payment for the farm. Hurry that you may not be late for the second shipment. With patriotic greetings, Marston Missouri Farms".

In another letter the firm stated that every buyer would get a visa, as the Washington attorney notified the firm that two Senators, one Congressman and the Governor of Missouri were pleading the case.

A third letter, signed by Seiller, stated that the immigration authorities at Washington required that "at each farm buying the full amount of \$400 should be deposited in a bank at Montreal; therefore if you're still willing to come to the United States, deposit the money with enclosed, deposit slip in Bank of Montreal, and within three or four weeks you can count on the permit to come over".

The Kelly report stated that the evidence showed that the lands in question was the estate of Seth S. Barnes, which had been incorporated under the name of the Marston Realty Company.

"The latter concern, in furtherance of its efforts to market the property, placed it in the hands of Gawansky & Co. of Chicago, which also operate under the name of the Marston Missouri Farm, the report said.

Commenting upon the defense of Gawansky and Seiller, Kelly said that they failed to furnish any definite information regarding the likelihood of securing admission of foreigners into the United States.

"It was, however, plainly stated by them that they relied upon certain persons alleged to be in position of power to obtain for them the necessary permits", Kelly reported.

"They did not furnish the names of such persons nor give any specific information with respect thereto".

Officials of the Marston Realty Co., owners of the land at Marston, which American and Continental operators are alleged to have used in securing money from prospective immigrants to America, said today that they knew of no irregularities in the operation of the plan.

C. M. Barnes, an officer in the company, which holds 6000 acres of land, said that Gawansky & Co. of Chicago was given the land to sell during the English coal strike in an effort to induce people from that country to immigrate here purchase the land.

Barnes said that M. Gawansky, head of the company, required only a deposit from each immigrant and that the immigrants were to be brought in under a clause of the immigration laws providing preference for those seeking to settle on farms. Barnes said that as far as he knows everything was proper.

Barnes said he had not been officially advised of the fraud order issued by the Postoffice Department. He said that he had examined Gawansky's literature sent immigrants and found nothing of an objectionable nature.

The land is a part of the estate of Seth S. Barnes and is considered valuable farming property. None of it has been sold by Gawansky, Barnes said.

Assistant United States Attorney J. Stattler, who is here said he had not been advised of the fraud order, but presumed that a grand jury investigation would be made if necessary. The property is in this Federal court district.—Cape Missourian.

SQUIRREL SEASON SHORTENED

It was an important step that the Legislature took for conservation when they passed House Bill number 55 by Representative Asel of Cole County, which added a month to each end of the closed season for squirrel. The new law opens the season on July 1 and closes it on November 30, thus prohibiting hunting during June and December as heretofore permitted. This law does not take effect until July this year. Therefore, the coming month of June will be open to squirrel shooting.

Other measures of a corrective nature facilitating the work of the department were passed. These dealt particularly with the disposition of confiscated game and confiscated articles. One of the corrective measures touches upon the state park law. Were you ever surprised?

4.20 INCHES OF RAIN ON TUESDAY

4.20 inches of rain fell here between 7:00 o'clock Tuesday morning and 7:00 o'clock Wednesday morning, flooding basements and marooning almost two hundred houses west of the Frisco railroad tracks and north of the Missouri Pacific right-of-way.

The rain was accompanied by a sharp hail storm, starting at 6:30 and lasting for fifteen minutes, damaging in that time gardens, flowers and fruits all through the community. The rain came in two heavy showers, the first starting after 6:00 o'clock Tuesday night lasting until 9:00; the second, lasting from 1:00 till 2:30.

Kingshighway, from Morley south to Sikeston was covered with water, in many places coming up to the running boards of automobiles. The water filled the old slough north of Sikeston running down from it into North Kingshighway in a manner resembling a good sized stream, keeping the section of street in front of the Methodist Church flooded all day Wednesday.

In the low section in the west part of town, the water collected to a depth of six feet in some of the lowest places. The water got into the houses rising over the floors and driving the occupants to perches on chairs, beds and boxes. Conditions in this district were such that Mayor Fuchs was called, and with the assistance of several men in the neighborhood, he worked from 4:00 until 8:00 in the morning, ferrying women and children out in a boat.

Wednesday morning the popular method of transportation was by boat, in this particular section and the scene might well have been taken from a flooded river town instead of in the inland town of Sikeston.

COTTON GROWERS CO-OP. ASSOCIATION

At a special meeting of the directors of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-Op. Association held at the office of the Association in New Madrid on Monday, April 11, it was decided, owing to the swing of volume in deliveries from the northern to the southern end of the district to redistrict the State and give greater representation to the larger delivering counties. Pemiscot County, the largest delivering county in the State in 1926 was divided into two districts. There will be a director elected from each of these. Several of the counties in the northern and western part of the cotton section were combined into one district. The new directorate will be as follows: Mississippi County 2, Stoddard, Scott, Butler, Ripley, Howell and Ozark 1, New Madrid 3, Pemiscot 2 and Dunklin 1. This division was arrived at by taking the average deliveries for the past two years.

The receipts for 1926-27 were approximately 7000 bales which, although not equaling the 1925 deliveries is a decided increase over normal deliveries in the past. This is due to better understanding of Co-operative Marketing on the part of the members plus a greater confidence in the ability of the directors and management of the Association affairs.

The Board ordered an election to be held for the purpose of nominating candidates and electing new directors for the coming year. This election will be held in each district. Arrangements are now being made in the office to get the ballots out to the membership.

The annual meeting of the Association will be held in New Madrid on May 24. C. G. Henry, president of the Arkansas Association and Robert Fletcher, Jr., Secretary of the Tennessee Association have been invited to be present at this meeting.

You will be surprised!

Clyde Myers was a Cape Girardeau visitor, Tuesday.

Mrs. Hattie Beal entertained with a birthday party given at her home Thursday night. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. John Andres, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. John Halter, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Beal, Julia Buckles, Jessie Vaughn, Myrtle Andres, Anna Ward, Lucy Andres, Harry Trousdale, Ralph Cutrell, Walter Penner, Russell Hartfield and Mr. Gardner. At a very late hour, refreshments of chicken sandwiches, punch and cake were served after which the guests took their departure reporting a very nice time. Many useful and nice presents were received.

Easter Sale of Coats and Dresses



At moderate prices we offer you the opportunity to have a beautiful Coat and Dress for Easter.

The kind of Coats and Dresses for service as well as style are found in our selection.

Our popular prices on Ladies' and Children's Hats are in great favor.

Today's express delivered us more Ladies' and Children's Hats. See our values.

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United States.....\$ 2.00

IN MY WAY

By Warren T. Kingsbury

It is a strange feeling, this that I
have as I sit here writing for the last
time, my column. The rain beats
down on the roof and is lashed
against the windows by the wind.
Thunder rolls and the heavens light
up with the intermittent flashing of
the lightning. Tempestuous as the
night is, however, it is no more so
than is my mind. I almost feel com-
pelled to join the Heavens, in what, I
ironically say, is their weeping and
lamentation over my departure for,
it is with a distinct feeling of regret
that I prepare to leave Sikeston. A

year and a half seems but a very
short time in which to have an abid-
ing affection for a town and its peo-
ple take root within one's heart. Yet,
in that length of time, I have grown
to like Sikeston as I do no other place
and to feel that the best friends I
have are here.

When I look back at that eighteen
months, I realize that they have not
been ordinary months. I have en-
tered into your lives in a way that is
not given to many. I have been in
your schools, I have known your chil-
dren, worked with them, rejoiced in
their successes; sorrowed in their
failures. I have, to a certain extent,
had a part in the moulding and
shaping of their lives and I have the
same interest in watching their lives
unfold and develop that an architect
has in seeing his plans shaped into a
steel and stone structure. That this
part of mine was small and insignif-
icant, I realize; that it might have
been better performed I know; but,
the part was played to the best of my
ability and as I look back on that
time spent, it is with pleasure.

From day to day, people of Sikes-
ton, I have recorded in black and
white your life as a community. Mine
has been the task of announcing your
births, thinking as I did of all
the hopes and ambitions centered by
the two fond parents in that cooing,
crying, cunning bit of humanity. To
me it has been given to chronicle
your deaths, mourning as you
mourned. And to me it has fallen to

record all those activities of Life
that fill the span bridging birth and
death. I have told of your striving
forward, of your reaching out and up
for the things which would better the
town; I have chided you on your
shortcomings; laughed with you in
your jokes; sorrowed with you in
your misfortunes; smiled at your
pranks; grieved at your misdeeds.

Is it any wonder then, that I feel
that I am a part of you and that you
are a part of me? Is it any wonder
then there is a tugging at my heart
as I think of leaving and that I feel I
am leaving a part of me behind?

"In My Way", once more I cover
the town in my thoughts—going from
place to place. This person nods and
smiles as he passes by; that person
stops and exchanges a word or two; I
delight in knowing you, in sharing
your friendship; I go into your stores
and offices; I get your thoughts and
ideas. I learn what you have been
doing, what your neighbors have been
doing; what the town has been doing.
I know what the latest gossip is; I
discover your pranks. Oh, I know
you well, people of Sikeston.

And knowing you, I like you with
all your faults and virtues. I like
your good fellowship; like your spir-
it of progress; like your humanness.
I hope you like me because I want to
come back to you often. And when I
do return, which I trust will be soon,
I hope I shall find the same friend-
ships and the same good will. So,
leaving you, I wish to you the best
and say, not goodbye or farewell
(they sound so final) but, Adios, or
till we meet again.

Wonder if anyone has given tho't
to the fact that the Almighty is
sending punishment on the people for
their sinful way of living in late
years. The wars, the killings, the ro-
beries, the fast living, and other
things too numerous to mention. This
is real food for thought for if the
excessive floods, the hail and the tor-
nadoes haven't sent shivers down
your spine, you are beyond redemp-
tion. Greed and grasping for gain,
financially and socially, neglect of
home and family for bridge and pok-
er, the drinkers and sellers of illicit
liquor, the brazen flapper and the
hardened flappee, the owner of a
car who owes everybody, those who
can and won't pay their just debts.
These are a few that should try and
do better. We are all more or less
superstitious and while the storm
raged Tuesday eve, the thought came
to us, that if the Bible was true, that
these things were sent to us to warn
us of the fate of Sodom and Gomoroh.

Sunday, comes Easter, a festival
both commemorative of the resurrec-
tion of Jesus Christ and a memorial
to the atonement wrought by the
Master upon the cross. It is hailed
with great acclaim in all the Chris-
tain churches of the world. In Greek
and Latin and in the languages de-
rived from them, Easter was known
as "Pascha", "Pasch", "Pasqua", Pas-
cua", etc., from the Chaldee word,
"Pascha", the equivalent of the He-
brew "Pisach". The "Destroying An-
gel's" act is recalled by the last name
in "passing over" the households of
the Hebrews when he smote the
Egyptians, as disclosed in the twelfth
chapter of Exodus. Easter is deter-
mined as the first Sunday after the
paschal full moon—the fourteenth
day of the calendar moon, or the full
moon which happens upon or next af-
ter March 21; and if the full moon
happens on a Sunday, then Easter
day is the first Sunday following. The
churches of Sikeston have, as usual,
prepared elaborate services for East-
er Sunday and it is to be hoped that
the entire town will turn out to do
worship.

Wiley Wilkerson is home from a
visit to his father at Mokane, Mo.
While there he said Sam Freeman,
the city marshal, was inquiring about
The Standard editor. When a young-
ster we attended many a dance given
at the home of Sam Freeman living
then, near Paris. Am glad he told
Wilkerson nothing bad about us.

TOMATO PLANT-BED SPRAYING

To prevent the loss of plants thru
insect injury and the spread of leaf
disease from the plant bed to the
field, and to avoid, so far as possible,
the necessity of expensive field spray-
ing, commercial tomato growers are
finding it highly profitable to spray
their plant beds. While this does not
entirely prevent the danger from later
infection and spread of leaf spot
and blight in the field it does reduce
the chance of such loss and at very
low cost. The danger of loss is further
reduced if tomatoes are planted only
on land where they have not been
grown for two years or more.

Purpose of Spray.—To prevent
spread of leaf spot and blight; and
to kill eating insects such as flea
beetles and Colorado potato beetles.

Time to Spray.—The first spray
should be applied while plants are
small, from 2 to 3 inches tall. The
second spray should be applied a few
days before setting in the field. This
should be early in May and plants
should be 6 to 8 inches tall and well
branched.

Note.—Additional sprays should be
applied if needed to prevent insect in-
jury.

What To Use.—Bordeaux mixture
(4-4-50) with arsenate of lead added.
To make six gallons of bordeaux
dissolve one-half pound of bluestone
(copper sulphate) in 3 gallons of wa-
ter. Slake and dissolve one-half lb.
of some lime or three-fourths pound
of hydrated lime in 3 gallons of wa-
ter. When ready to spray, mix these
two solutions together in equal
amounts, stirring vigorously, and for
each gallon of spray add one table-
spoonful of powdered arsenate of
lead dissolved in water.

Prepared bordeaux mixture can be
purchased in powdered form ready
for use when mixed with water. If
no arsenate of lead is present in the
mixture it should be added as describ-
ed above, one tablespoonful to the
gallon of spray. The ready mixed
bordeaux is more expensive than the
home-made.

How to Apply.—Thoroughness in
spraying to cover all parts of the
plant, including the undersides of the
leaves, is important. Any type of
sprayer, even the small hand outfit,
can be used; but the finer the mist,
the better the plants will be coated.

The five essentials of successful to-
mato production are:

First, Maintaining Soil Fertility.—
Either turn under a legume crop as
green manure or use 6 to 8 tons of
stable manure per acre. And in ad-
dition to either of these, apply from
200 to 300 pounds of high grade com-
mercial fertilizer, by mixing with
the soil in the row before planting.

Second, Thorough Preparation of
the Soil.—Prepare soil by deep plow-
ing, when practicable, and by thor-
ough working in the spring.

Third, Using Only Strong, Vigor-
ous Plants Grown From Best Seed.

Fourth, Reducing Loss From Dis-
eases.—Use a new location for the
plant bed, and plant tomatoes only on
soil not used for tomatoes for two
years or more.

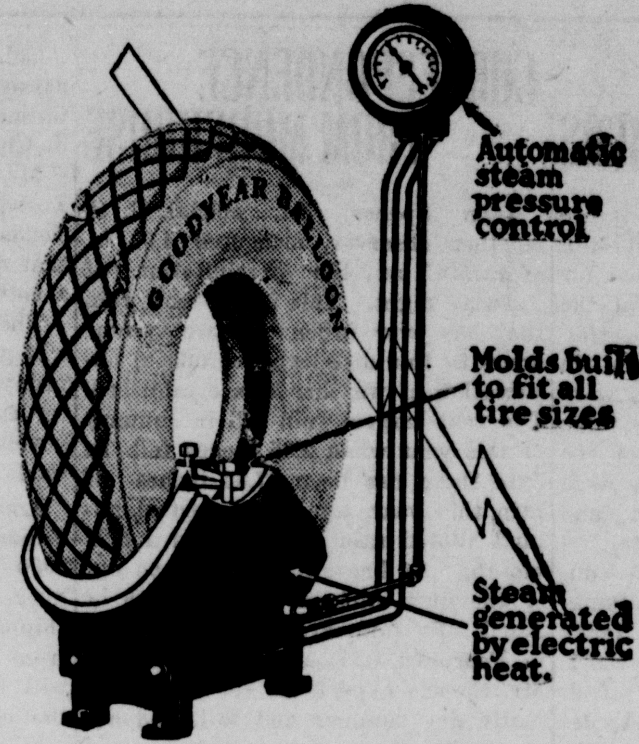
Fifth, Frequent Shallow Cultiva-
tion in the Field.

From day to day, in every way, the
country seems to be growing wetter
and wetter.

There are a good many nuts to be
cracked in Sikeston. The first nut is
the surface water that we must get
rid of; the second is to find a way to
pay for the drainage sewer, then to
follow with paved streets. These are
nuts that have to be cracked and if
you have an idea how it can be done,
put it in writing and submit it to
the Board of Aldermen. Sidewalks
in the Chamber of Commerce Addition
is an extra hard nut to handle
for the reason that most of the own-
ers of the houses live in the sections
of Sikeston that already have side-
walks. Phillip Gross of that Ward
will put up an active fight to have
the walks authorized and it is hoped
there will be no remonstrance. In
order that children can get to school,
this nut must be cracked before an-
other winter, or many empty houses
in this addition will be the result.

The sentencing of Harry Sinclair in
the District of Columbia, for refus-
ing to give up his insides to an in-
quisitive committee, has been post-
poned for 30 days. This in order not
to prejudice the minds of a jury to
be selected to try Fall for some con-
nection with the leasing of certain oil
lands. In the minds of the public,
any prominent man who is mentioned
in any connection with the Govern-
ment where he may gain, is guilty. It
looked considerably like Fall is guilty
of something in the leasing of some
other oil lands, but he was declared
by a jury of 12 men to be innocent.
This case against Sinclair should
have been quashed when Fall was ac-
quitted, but not so. Sinclair refused,
on advice of his attorney, to answer
questions that might reflect on him-
self and would help nobody. Our
guess is: Fall will not be tried and
Sinclair serve no time in jail for pro-
tecting himself.

"We Guarantee Every Job to Outlast the Tire"



YOU GET BETTER TIRE REPAIRING with Electrical Equipment

Our electrical equipment assures perfect vulcanization. Steam is generat-
ed by electric heat—pressure control is automatic—temperature is even at
all times. Over curing is impossible.

This means better tire repairs.

We're all set and ready for that damaged tire of yours.

No Road Service Charge

We know the majority of automobile owners are of the impression that
when they pay a tire company for the repair of a tube they are paying for
the road service. Such is not the case. It would be impossible for a tire
service station to operate its business depending upon the nominal charge
that is made for the repair of tubes. The repair charge has nothing to do
with a charge for Road Service.

Remember

We want you to give this your consideration and when next you con-
template buying a tire at a low price, but of high quality, remember that
you can buy such a tire from us, and be assured of Free Road Service.
Think of the women folks out on the road alone in a car with a flat tire
purchased from a company who cannot render road service.
We sell you the Pathfinder tire with the same service and on the same basis
that we would sell you the Goodyear tire which we consider to be the high-
est quality and the longest wearing tire manufactured.



—for Easter

CUT FLOWERS

Whatever your Easter plans
may be, if they are to be a
big success, Flowers must
play an important part. Our
ample stock of cut blossoms
and potted plants enables
you to choose exactly in ac-
cord with your plans.

Phone 192

Young's Floral Shop

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Easter Toilettes

There are so many handy little items
most every woman needs in Toilette
goods. That is one reason we have
arranged this special Easter display
to aid you in choosing those desired.

Phone 274

White's Drug Store

"The Best is None Too Good"

AMERICA ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS AGO

Westminster, Vermont, April 11,
1777.—The people of this country,
which is officially called the New
Hampshire Grants, but which is be-
ginning to call itself New Connecti-
cut or Vermont, are awaiting anx-
iously the arrival of express riders
who can tell them whether the con-
gress of the continent has heard their
prayer and will admit them as a
new state in the American Union.
They want to be free, not only from
the crown of Great Britain, but also
from the state of New York.

Why freedom from Great Britain?
Ask Vermont. She knows. Why
freedom from New York state?
Again ask Vermont. If freedom

means anything, say our people, it
means complete freedom, as we have
already told the congress. New York
claims this country as a part of her
own. We dispute the claim and say
we have as much right to set up a
government of our own choice as they
have. That is how we feel about
New York. As to Great Britain, we
refer you to a tombstone in the
graveyard of this village which reads
as follows, viz:

In Memory of William French
Son to Mr. Nathaniel French Who
Was Shot at Westminster March
ye 13th 1775 by the hands of
Cruel Ministerial tools of George
ye 3d in the court house at a 11
a Clock at Night in the 22d year
of his Age—

Here William French his Body lies
For Murder his blood for Vengeance
cries

King George the third his Tory crew
they with a bawl his Head Shot threw

For Liberty and his Country God
he Lost his life his Dearest blood

More than a month before the Bat-
tle of Lexington and Concord, a band
of the king's soldiers marched here to
set up the king's court, although our
people had said they would no longer
be governed by that court. About 100
men gathered at the courthouse to
dispute the entrance of the court of-
ficers, among them being William
French. They were armed only with
sticks from Capt. Azariah Wright's
woodpile. The enemy, after refusing
to parley, marched up fast to within
ten rods of the door and fired. French
fell with four bullets in him, one thru
his brain. The soldiers then rushed
in with their swords and guns and did
most cruelly injure several more.

It is from such proceedings as this
that Vermont wants freedom, and un-
der officers of her own choosing.

The Rich, The Poor, The Happy

A second-hand automobile of a
small and popular make caused a di-
vorce in a New Jersey town.

The wife testified that she and her
husband quarreled about the upkeep
and couldn't agree as to the friends
they wanted to take for rides.

And so the husband flivvered his
wife out to her mother's and left her
there for all time.

They had been happy in poverty,
but they couldn't stand even a little
prosperity, even so much as is indi-
cated by a second-hand automobile.

How is it that the poor seem to be
kinder to each other than the well-
to-do?

You and I know families that seem-
ed to get along pretty happily on
\$2500 a year and have gone to pieces

on \$25,000 a year.

Motoring in the South in the fall,
I came across a man and his wife who
had lived the life of wealthy people
in my own city. He was deeply im-
mersed in a successful business. He
was a slave to the endless routine of
affairs. Riches had not brought
satisfaction.

My friend sold his business. He
and his wife both retired from the
conventional routine of city life, bot a
farm down South, went back home
to Nature—and now they're both hap-
py.

This may not be the thing you
want to do or ought to do. But per-
haps something else is—and you are
not doing it because you lack cour-
age and a really normal viewpoint.

Life lived at its best does not con-
sist in the accumulation of things—
on the outside. It consists in the ac-
cumulation of resources—on the in-
side.

If there are no hills and valleys and
castles in the mind to flee to, we are
in a bad way when we are caught too
closely in the complexities of living.

The thing the human being wants
most is some kind of a comfortable
adjustment to his environment. Don't
think that going from \$2500 to \$25,-
000 a year is going to give you that.

Perhaps you want woods and fields
and the open road. If those are the
things your soul seeks, have the cour-
age to take them as soon as it can be
done decently and in honor.

Emerson said, "nothing can bring
you peace but yourself".

Merely adding things to the daily
routine won't bring it.—J. C.

You will be surprised!
Were you ever surprised?

L. L. Cornatzer and George Johnson Announce the Opening in the White-Dorroh Building of the

C. & J. Used Car Exchange

WE BUY AND SELL USED AUTOMOBILES OF ALL MAKES

NOVEL PLAN TO RELIEVE FLOODS

When the Mississippi here gets very high it is always a matter of local concern, aside from the picturesque of the scene as the water quietly creeps towards the door-steps of the residents.

Right now the great Father of Waters seems to be halting between two opinions—whether to rise or whether to fall, but the overhanging sky still threatens rains; and the darkies say, that "as long as the river keeps a raisin' it is going to keep a rainin'" and surely as long as it keeps a raining the river will continue rising.

There are probably forty acres south of Commerce, outside the levee, inundated, and with the exception of a few fields of alfalfa there are no crops in the wake of the flood to suffer. At its crest this high water was about six inches higher than that of 1916 and about six inches lower than that of 1922, which was the highest ever known here, except, possibly, the great flood of '44—but time has obliterated every vestige of evidence as to the magnitude of that overflow.

Running southward from Commerce is a ridge, known from immemorial time as Methodist Ridge, which proved to be inadequate in holding back the big river, hence the levee in 1916, which so far has stayed the flood. No one knows just how it acquired that name. It may be because there were many willows skirting its borders—and willows have proven to be a great factor in the promotion of Methodism, in that they were well adapted for making baskets and at all Methodist meetings baskets must be passed around to take up a collection!

Another inference is, that the name was applied during a very dry season, for with water everywhere, as now, it would have been far more appropriate that this ridge should have borne the name Baptist as its appellation.

The entire area of Cat Island, which is some twenty times larger, is completely submerged and nowhere on any of these fertile farming acres could even Noah's dove find rest for the sole of its foot. It would require a submarine to locate the horse-lots over there and as for Tow Head, its section corners could not be found with a diving bell. The cat-fish and eels inhabit the hen houses on these islands and the buffalo and carp are panting in the smoke-houses where bacon was wont to be.

But it is an ill wind that blows nobody good—for soon these surging waters will subside. As Solomon observed: "The rivers flow into the sea and the sea is not full". So the laws of gravitation will in due time restore all of these rich acres to their owners and soon the glad voice of the plowman, mingled with the song of the blackbird, will be heard amid resounding echoes along the river's conclave shores.

When the waters recede, deposits of silt and rich alluvial soil may be looked for, greater than the whole fertilizer output of the Armour factories and more evenly spread than could be done by the hand of man; then out of this, at the tingling of the autumn's leaves, will come marvelous corn crops that bounteous nature will yield from those same fields which today are hidden like the ocean's cave.

It is easy to understand that the levee system has caused the rivers to rise higher than in former days, and there are thousands of acres behind the levees shut off from the benefits of the rich deposits of silt—and it is a mooted question as to whether or not the levees are an unmixed blessing to the lands sought to be redeemed—for, with the levees often come the seep waters with no outlet, but evaporation, and this is a part of the unsolved problem.

When the Panama Canal was finished, the tools in that Herculean task were junked. Like Alexander, who wept when there were no more worlds for him to conquer, the builders of the Gatun Locks and the world's marine highway from Colon to Panama, could only heave a sigh as the ponderous implements of their trade were cast aside to disappear under the corrosive touch of time.

But there was one more job which these promoters might have done. The Tennessee River runs to a point twenty-five miles below the north line of Alabama. From this point southward to the Gulf of Mexico is only two hundred miles, but if a motor boat starting from this same point headed along the Tennessee, thence down the Ohio and thence down the Mississippi to the Gulf, one thousand miles, it would traverse a distance of more than one thousand miles. Six inches is the reputed fall per mile in all of these rivers, gives an altitude at this starting point on the Tennessee, say near Florence, Ala. of five hundred feet above the level of the sea. Now suppose Lieut. Goethals should have re-employed his engines and dredging dippers on a canal to lead the waters of the Tennessee southward into the Montgomery river and thence into the Gulf at Mobile, all of the excess waters out of both the Ohio and Tennessee rivers could have been three times as quickly entered into the ocean and forever "afterwards there would have been no more overflows in the Mississippi and not a dollar would have to be paid out on levees, the annoyance of seep-waters would have been overcome and millions of dollars would have been saved to the riparian owners. Some might contend that all this would seriously affect navigation. There would always be channels, which could be dredged to advantage, but even if not, the money saved in the Mississippi Valley proper would have built a wide concrete highway both from Minnesota and Wisconsin southward to the Gulf, which in this modern day would have been far more practical and efficient than the Robert Fulton plan of ante-bellum days. Every year untold millions are expended on government fleets, dikes, alleged dredging and graft and what has it all availed? But let the United States Government project a plan to drain southward the waters of the Tennessee, the Cumberland and part of the Ohio and the records of an overflowing Mississippi would pass into history.—Joe L. Moore.

MISSOURI ACREAGE OUTLOOK

The springtime intentions of Missouri farmers show 5 per cent increase in corn acreage, or 6,724,200 acres. In the nation the increase outlook is 1.8 per cent.

Oat indication is 2 per cent increase or 2,119,000 acres. National oats outlook is 3.2 per cent increase.

The indications point to 15 per cent increase in rice acreage, Missouri's new crop, making the 1927 total 12,000 acres. National rice outlook is 7 per cent decrease. In the United States the outlook is for 14.9 per cent increase in Irish potato acreage.

Open Dove Season

Missouri sportsmen will be pleased to know that hereafter dove hunting in season will be permitted in Missouri. It was not without strenuous efforts that this bill was passed. The law reads that doves may be hunted from September 1st to December 15, and that the bag limit shall be 10 a day and 15 in possession, the same as our bag limit for quail. It was a matter of justice to Missouri sportsmen that the season was opened as dove hunting is permitted by the federal migratory bird law and doves are hunted in the neighbor states of Missouri, and there is no reason why Missouri sportsmen should be deprived from this sport. Some legislators argued that there would be no sport to shooting the doves while sitting on the fences or in the trees, but good sportsmen do not shoot doves except on the wing any more than they would shoot quail while on the ground. The dove bill was Senate Bill No. 17. It, together with the two fishing bills, were handled in the Senate by Senator Buford of Reynolds County, who was chairman of the game and fish committee in the Senate.

Were you ever surprised?

An imperfect seal or lack of sterilization will cause catsup to spoil. Bottles should be sterilized and filled while they are boiling hot, with boiling catsup, and then processed in the water-bath canner for 30 minutes.

METHODIST CHURCH

Everybody at church Friday evening. We are praying for the entire town to meet in the different churches to remember CHRIST SUFFERED for us all that we might have LIFE.

Sunday school at 9:30
Junior Church Service and the regular morning service will be together, beginning at 10:30. Baptism of infants 11:10 with sermon to follow. Subject: "The Resurrection of the Hope of the World". At the close of the sermon members will be received. One thousand at the Methodist church Easter Sunday is our aim.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Friday evening: Special "Cross and Passion" service, illustrated with pictures.

Saturday evening: "The Sealed Tomb".

Sunday morning: "He Lives".
Sunday Vesper Services—4:30.—"Christ's Witnesses".

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services next Sunday night in the Presbyterian church 7:30 p. m. conducted by the pastor, Rev. Geo. F. Mason.

Helpful service. Pointed message. Everybody cordially invited.

Do you like surprises?

Hens will successfully brood 10 to 15 chicks early in the season, and 15 to 20 in warm weather, depending on the size of the hen.

MEAT INSPECTION BRINGS CONFIDENCE

About two-thirds of all animals slaughtered for food in the United States are federally inspected, a large proportion of meat establishments doing an inter-state business, says the United States Department of Agriculture. Federal inspection of animals is made before and at the time of slaughter.

An animal that looks sick or abnormal in any other way is tagged with a metal label fastened to the ear, reading either "U. S. Condemned" or "U. S. Suspect", depending on the ailment. If condemned, the animals so tagged must be taken into the slaughter room. Animals of merely doubtful condition are kept apart and slaughtered separately.

The present export trade in American meats is possible largely because the Federal inspection system enjoys the confidence of foreign governments.

Do you like surprises?

Maori feminine names are poetical. Among others are the following: Plume of the Precious Bird, White Heron, The Young Lady in Love, The Diamond.

Were you ever surprised?

A simple way to prevent horn growth is to rub slightly moistened caustic soda or potash 3 or 4 times alternately on the undeveloped horns when the calves are 4 to 10 days old. Allow the caustic to dry each time before applying to the next. You can get the caustic at any drug store. It comes in sticks about the size of a lead pencil.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Attend the Revival Meeting at the Baptist Church. Fine interest notwithstanding the rain. Evangelist Deal preaches every evening at 7:30 and the morning prayer meeting at 7:30 is well attended. It might change the whole course of your life if you would join this group of people in the morning hour of prayer.

The usual services on Sunday conducted by Evangelist Deal. The pastor will have baptismal services next Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock as he did last Sunday. You are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

S. P. BRITE, Pastor.

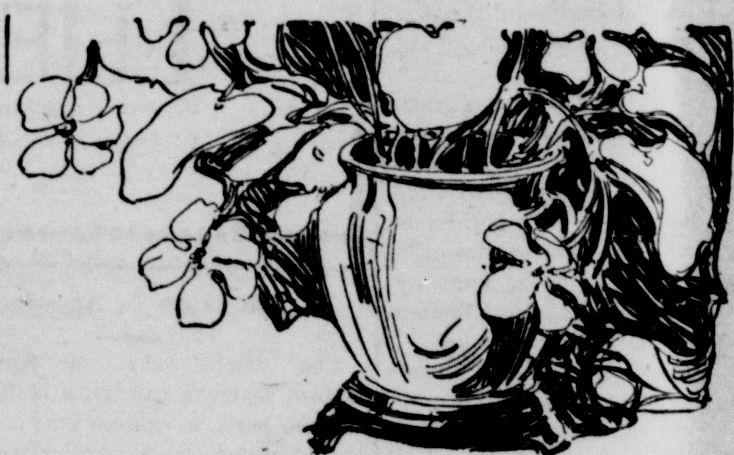
It will be some surprise!

The average sized oyster consumes thirty quarts of water a day.

The brown rat, probably brought to the United States from England about 1775, has spread until it now infests every State in the Union, says the United States Department of Agriculture. The last State to become afflicted with this pest is Montana.

It is often the practice of drivers of automobiles and teamsters to break through barricades closing the roads while under construction or repair. Hereafter this will be a violation of the state laws, as the session of the Missouri legislature just closed put a new law on the Missouri statute books making it a misdemeanor to break through such road barricades. It is a good law and aimed particularly at auto drivers who can drive on fresh concrete laid by the State Highway Department.

Were you ever surprised?



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Motoring Time
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Simpson Oil Co.'s Gasoline can truthfully be called "clean gasoline." There is very little waste to it; its properties cause thorough combustion in the cylinder walls of your motor, leaving little carbon to cause you difficulty. With carbon practically eliminated from your motor, you are insured of more power, a smoother running engine and more mileage to the gallon of gasoline.

DRIVE IN TO

**"Nig" Schneider at Texaco Corner
Trousdale & Boardman at Frisco
McFarling Square at Morehouse
C. W. Smoot at Miner Switch**

AND FILL UP WITH

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Local and Personal

Do you like surprises?

Ruskin Cook of St. Louis was a Skeston visitor, Monday.

Adding to the precipitation of Tuesday, .86 of an inch of rain fell on Wednesday night.

The Co-Workers will hold their regular meeting in the church parlors, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

Dear Mother would surely enjoy an Easter morning flower from the Young Floral Shop. Phone 192.

Homer Decker, Jr., who is in school at Fayette, Mo., has been engaged to teach the Cross Roads School the coming school year.

The U. D. C. postponed their meeting that was to have been held Thursday afternoon of this week to Thursday afternoon of next week.

Vernon Skillman returned Thursday night from Washington University, St. Louis, to spend Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Skillman.

The U. D. C. meeting which was to have been held at the home of Mrs. R. M. Hilleman, Thursday, April 14, has been postponed until Thursday, April 21.

David Blanton came in Thursday morning from Columbia to spend the Easter holidays with homefolks. John Fox was expected to follow on the next train.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clymer and family and Miss Alma Harris of St. Louis were week-end guests of the parents of the ladies, Mr. and Mrs. Cy Harris.

Mrs. Florence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin will entertain with a dancing party at their home Monday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Northington of Kansas City.

Dr. N. R. Rodas of Mexico and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ryland Rodas, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. L. O. Rodas of Skeston the past week. They returned to their home Saturday morning.

Dode Wainman went to St. Louis Saturday night to bring home Mrs. Wainman, who had been in a hospital in that city for an operation. She stood the trip right well and is improving right along.

J. Fred Bowman came to Skeston last Wednesday for a visit with his wife and son. Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Bowman went to Cape Girardeau to visit Mr. Bowman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Cottle. Mr. Bowman returned to St. Louis, Monday.

Charles Hebbeler will attend a Jersey cattle sale of Col. Banister, at Long View near Kansas City on the 25th of the month. He will look the offering over and may purchase some of the record milk stock for their dairy farm south of Skeston.

Franklin Moore, at the Missouri Baptist Hospital, St. Louis, continues to improve from the recent serious operation he underwent. It will probably be two weeks before he will be able to return to Skeston. In the meantime the gang is pulling for him.

Robley Lennox, Barney Forrester, Dr. C. W. Limbaugh, Dess Bloomfield, H. E. Dudley, Dan McCoy, Lee Bowman, "Boots" Bruton, Ernest Harper and Eddie Mathis were among those from Skeston who attended the opening of the baseball season in St. Louis.

Rev. Ensor reports several promising broods of both White and Barred Plymouth Rocks at his place. One hatch that he is especially proud of is from the yards of Newton Kosh in the East who is a big winner every year at the New York shows. This is one of the Reverend's recreations and a very great pleasure for him. He is going to have several extra cockerels from his flock for sale this fall and they will be valuable new blood.

It will be some surprise!

The horse that has a good temperament has big, mild, bright eyes. His head's wide between the ears. He obeys commands readily, and has an alert, graceful carriage when he's moving.

Do you like surprises?

MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Kansas City will have 687-acre airport, only 1.4 miles from postoffice, for both seaplanes and land machines.

Knox City—High Grade Oil Company erects oil tanks along railroad tracks east of station.

Louisiana—Site to be chosen for erection of Smith-Barr Memorial Hospital in this city.

Trenton—Plans under way for improvement of Moberly Park.

Greentop—Wabash Railroad repairing bridge one mile north of town.

St. Clair—New white way system to be installed in this place.

Mitchellville—New highway to be constructed between Pattonburg and Mitchellville.

Kennett—Pickard-Wilson Company to build new filling station in Kennett.

Edina—Iowa Soap Company to open factory in this town.

Conran—Repairs to be made to Federal Highway No. 61 near here.

Farmington—Several streets of city to be paved.

Greenville—New store building to be erected on Main Street.

Marshfield—New filling station being erected at Jackson Street and the Highway.

Morehouse—V. A. Cedarburg to establish mushroom canning plant here.

Overland—New white way system to be installed.

Lee's Summit—Several streets of city to be paved.

St. Charles—Car shops have 450 men building 24 steel coaches for the Wabash Railroad.

Fair Play—New tomato cannery buys old roller mills plant, for cannery use.

Washington—Concrete paving resumed to close all gaps on U. S. Highway No. 66.

Trenton—Riggs' Ice Cream Factory on Gilmore Street to establish creamery here.

Fulton—Highway No. 40 from Fulton to Columbia being graveled.

Odessa—Lowe Railroad and Express Salvage Company to open store here.

Bethany—New stamp canceling machine to be installed in local post office.

Garden City—Cornerstone laid for new Baptist church in this place.

Cassville—Capacity of Seven Valleys Cheese Company to be doubled.

Liberal—C. O. Massie to open bakery in this town.

Jasper—Work on new Dry Milk plant in Jasper under way.

Hermann—New bridge to be constructed over Missouri River here.

Seymour—Well being drilled for new water system in Seymour.

Boonville—Improvements being made at tourist park here.

Ferguson—Cornerstone laid for new Lutheran church.

Cape Girardeau—Plant to be established here by Cape Silica Company to handle clay products.

Slater—Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to erect new building in this town.

St. Joseph—Highway No. 36 will be hardsurfaced from Hannibal to St. Joseph.

Froistatt—Cornerstone laid for new parochial school of Evangelical Lutheran church.

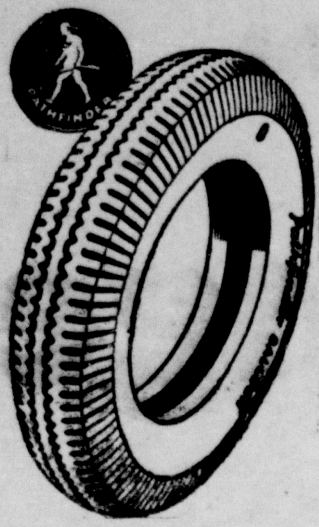
Farber—New high school proposed for construction in this town.

Branson—Missouri Pacific Railroad constructing new berry sheds in Branson.

You will be surprised!

There are today approximately five million radio receiving sets in use in the United States, which means about twenty million potential listeners in each night.

Cows don't run a very high temperature with milk fever. In fact, fever is usually absent. More often than not, the body temperature of the cow goes down instead of up. The disease is in reality a form of paralysis incident to calving. It generally comes on within a couple of days after the birth of the calf. The most common method of treating milk fever is by injecting sterile atmospheric air into the udder. This air treatment is not only simple, but it's highly effective.



Any Way You Figure

If you buy on Price We'll sell you a quality tire that will beat mail order prices.

If you buy on Quality We'll sell you tires that will beat the price and out-run the mileage of other first grade tires.

If you want the Best We'll sell you tires that are beyond comparison.

AND THEY ARE ALL GOODYEARS

Sensenbaugh's Super Service Station

Do you like surprises?

A week after it happened is a fine time to discover that the case of mutilation north of Skeston was a case of mistaken identity!

We are afraid to predict clearing weather for the coming week, but a number of us old-timers have great confidence in the almanac and with the change of the moon Saturday, look out for fair weather.

"Sikeston will sink and Morehouse will be blown away on Good Friday", so says the Woman of Taskee, according to rumor that has been circulating through out town this past week. And those who place credence in the sayings of the "Woman of Taskee" are shifting about uneasily and thinking about changing their residence for hte day at least. Certainly their fears have not been quieted any by the hail, wind and rainstorm of Tuesday night. Nor has the report of queer mutterings and the eggs from being over-cooked.

rumblings in the ground brought any peace to their minds. Some say that Sikeston Ridge is the top of an arch formation of the earth; that beneath this arch lies a hollow (perhaps it is Scott Wallace's cave) into which the Sikeston Ridge with Sikeston will sink on Friday. It is this hollow that reverberates as the trains thunder down the track, causing the ground to vibrate in much the manner a drum head does when struck by a drum stick. These heavy rains, they tell us, have undermined this arch formation and eaten it away until it can no longer support the weight of the ridge. It is going to give way and sink down to the level on the land on both sides of the ridge. Perhaps only the very superstitious place any credence in the prophecy of the "Woman of Taskee". Yet there are mutterings among the negroes of evil doing to come and there are a great many white people who will breathe easier when "Good Friday" has passed by and the town remains as is.

There are those who believe that the "Woman of Taskee" is infallible. Yet, such is not the case. I heard recently of an incident taking place in Dexter. A woman had a fiery little dog which she thought very much of. The dog disappeared so the woman made the trip to Taskee to have the medium tell her its whereabouts. When "Little Joe" condescended to do his stuff, he told her that a man, whose house she could see from her porch looking to the east, had stolen her dog and taken it to his farm down in the country where it was now running about barking happily. The woman came home in a rage and accused her neighbor (one of the most respected men in town) of stealing her dog and taking it down to his farm. He denied it and so she immediately got into her car and drove the seventy miles to his farm and found no dog. Nor had the dog ever been there.

And it is also said that "Little Joe" has missed before. Indeed, he is said to have predicted the death of his mistress last summer, an event which of course failed to take place. So, those who dislike to place credence in the prophecy of Sikeston impending disaster, can take consolation from that thought.

Do you like surprises?

Mr. and Mrs. William Northington of Kansas City and Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Marshall of Cape Girardeau will spend Easter Sunday with Mrs. Florence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin. A bread pudding will be "soggy and sad" if you use too large a pro and thinking about changing their portion of bread to eggs. Or it may come from cooking at too high a temperature. It is much better to cook quietly any by the hail, wind and any custard-like pudding in a pan of water in the oven. The water keeps the report of queer mutterings and the eggs from being over-cooked.

RIVER TO GO TO FIFTY-FIVE FT. AT CAIRO

Standing at 54 feet at Cairo at noon Thursday, the Mississippi was expected to reach a high crest of 55 feet late Sunday or early morning. Additional rains through this section are expected to send the river still higher.

This information was received by J. E. Dover at the Missouri Pacific on Thursday morning. The message also stated that the levee had broken at Columbus, Kentucky Thursday afternoon, and that the Illinois Central had discontinued service out of Cairo and that the Missouri Pacific would cease operating, Friday.

At Cape Girardeau, the river was at 37 feet Thursday morning and was expected to go to 39 by Sunday. Roads throughout Southeast Missouri are blocked in a number of places, No. 61 being the only highway in the district entirely clear. Highway 60 between Poplar Bluff and Fisk is flooding and is expected to be covered to a depth by Saturday that will make traffic impossible. Traffic is being pulled through on this highway west of Dudley where the water rise 26 inches deep and over the road in two places, one extending a half mile; the other, 1000 feet.

Route 25 is closed between Delta and Dutchtown and is also impassable in Dunklin County from the flooded St. Francis. Route 84 from Kennett to Arkansas line is also flooded and reports were Thursday to the effect that the only way of getting into Kennett was by train, all highways being impassable.

Ferry service at Birds Point was discontinued Wednesday because of the water over the highway between that point and Charleston. West of Charleston on No. 60, the water is over the road to a depth of eighteen inches and it is thought possible that it will rise to a point where traffic thru to Sikeston will be impossible.

The river front at Cape Girardeau is again flooded with water all over the station platform of the Frisco and in the factory district.

Fear is expressed of the ability of the levees stop the flood which is expected to be the severest since 1912. Most of the levees are badly soaked and the river is threatening to break through at several points between Cape Girardeau and Memphis.

DRAINAGE SEWERS TALK AT LIONS LUNCHEON

Sewers to take care of the surface drainage were the theme of discussion at the Lions Club luncheon at the Hotel Marshall, Thursday. The discussion was introduced by J. P. Whidden, who pointed out the deplorable conditions which were self evident. C. F. Bruton pointed out the harm that was being done to Sikeston by hte adverse publicity given the town by tourists on its streets and drainage and stated that until something was done, the town could not expect to prosper and grow. C. L. Malone told of the struggle of the Chamber of Commerce was making to bring about the needed improvements and asked the Club for its support. The Club unanimously voted to back the Chamber of Commerce to the best of its ability in putting over this proposition.

Do you like surprises?

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rogers, a son, April 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Baker are the parents of a daughter born, Monday, April 11.

It will be some surprise!

MESH BAGS. All the newest styles in enameled bags. Come in and see these.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

G. P. Van Arsdale, of the Hotel Marshall, has been confined to his rooms for the past ten days with an attack of dizziness or vertigo, but is now considerably improved and will soon be about as usual.

A man living near Morehouse brought to Sikeston Saturday last, a ratle snake that he killed in his chicken house that was more than a yard long and as thick as the forearm of a man. It had 16 rattles and a button and was evidently the granddaddy of all the rattlers in Southeast Missouri.

It will be some surprise!

WATCH BRACELETS—Elgin, Waltham, Illinois, the kind that give satisfaction.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

George Lee was operated upon at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Monday morning for gall stones. He had a bad night following the operation which was to be expected. Friends here hope for a speedy recovery. Later advices received Thursday morning wer not at all satisfactory as saline solutions were being resorted to.

Do you like surprises? GRADUATION GIFTS. Diamonds, watches, rings, pearls, etc.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

It will be some surprise! FOR SALE—One angora cat. Apply to Mrs. Sam Henson, 326 Fletcher, phone 383.

SHOULD WE WASTE OUR MILLIONAIRES?

By Bruce Barton
About the best balanced, ablest brain I have come into contact with in America, is the brain of a certain "international banker" in Wall Street.

I have talked with statesmen, inventors and captains of industry, each great in his special way; but for clear thinking, consistently sound judgment and all around ability, this man seems to me to surpass them all. He would make a great secretary of the treasury; every taxpayer would benefit by his appointment. He would make a great governor of the Philippines, or secretary of agriculture, or president of the United States.

But he will never be appointed or elected to any of these positions, of course. So far as the public service is concerned, his talents are wholly lost. There is nothing for him to do but to go on making money, because the people will not give him any sort of public work to do.

And I submit that this is a very great waste and ought to be changed somehow.

We recognize business as an honorable pursuit; it attracts the ambitions and occupies the energies of a very large percentage of American men. Yet as soon as a man becomes unusually successful in business, we begin at once to suspect his motives, question his integrity and cut him off from all public preferment. Even to have his support is almost suicide for any candidate for office.

Some years ago Samuel Butler wrote a book describing an imaginary country—Erewhon.

"In Erewhon", he says: "He who makes a colossal fortune in the hosiery trade, and by his energy has succeeded in reducing the price of woolen goods by the thousandth part of a penny in a pound—this man is worth ten professional philanthropists. So strongly are the Erewhonians impressed with this that if a man has made a fortune of over twenty thousand pounds a year, they exempt him from all taxation, considering him as a work of art, and too precious to be meddled with. They say: 'How very much he must have done for society before society could be prevailed upon to give him so much money.'"

Instead of refusing to let a millionaire work for us in Washington, I would compel him to work. As soon as a man made a million. I would say to him: "You are promoted now to postmaster, or deputy sheriff, or whatever; take that job and put into it the same fine business abilities that have made your own company successful."

Would we have a better government or a worse if that were the rule?

The story is told of a man who disturbed a theatrical entertainment, and being sized by some of the other spectators, was about to be flung over the balcony rail. At that dramatic moment an Irishman cried out:

"Don't waste him—don't waste him. Kill a fiddler with him!"

If the object of society is to keep men from getting too rich—to hurl them down after they have reached a certain height—let's hurl them down in a way that will benefit someone.

Why waste them? Why not sentence them to some public job and make them work for us all?

GRADUATION GIFTS—Give an Egin or Waltham watch, the kind your grandfather wore.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

FOR SALE—2 50-egg incubators. Phone 904F3. 2t.

FOR RENT—2 light housekeeping rooms. 234 Trotter.

FOR SALE—Range, in first class condition. Phone 243.

FOR RENT—6-room house, modern. Apply to John G. Russell.

LOST—Automobile license No. 420-153. Return to Rev. Ensor.

FOR SALE—Lloyd baby buggy, navy blue, with ivory running gear. Phone 219. 2t.

FOR RENT—2 unfurnished rooms. Apply to Mrs. L. T. Davey, Front St. Phone 208. tf.

FOR RENT—5 rooms, with bath, water and lights. Apply to W. W. Scott, phone 489. 3t. pd.

FOR RENT—6-room house on Ruth St. All modern conveniences. Inquire Sikeston Mercantile Co.

FOR SALE—Baby chicks, ready for delivery April 5, 12c each.—Frank Albright, phone 905F13. 3tpd.

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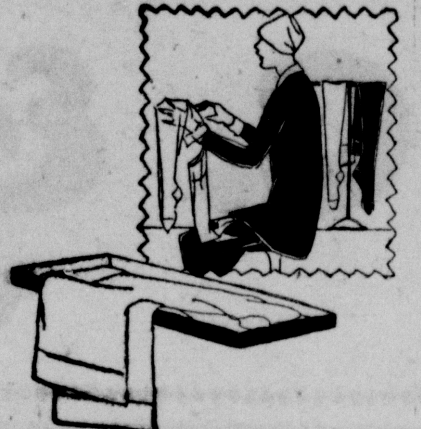
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In Office Every Day

If you don't see me on the streets I'll be in my office. I don't go out of town any more. I have about all I can do at home.

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Hosiery that is knit to fit snugly, yet without stretching and straining in a manner that will lessen its wearing qualities. Wearing a pair even one time will convince you of the extra worth you receive in hosiery purchased here.



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Smartly styled shoes to meet your summer footwear demands are to be found in this exceptional display of new leathers and lasts.



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Soft and pliable, yet sturdily, gracefully fashioned and with waterproof soles, these are the best shoes in the world for the little folks.



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The new silhouette for Easter wear is exceptionally well developed in the beautiful new dresses we have for your selection.

May we show them to you?

When choosing a

New Hat For Easter

Your entire Easter costume may be vivified by the selection of a hat here. A display that is of the newest, new.

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To match one's accessories is the Easter vogue. Each costume may be enhanced by the smart new, carefully chosen details here.

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Tell Truth In Abyssinia

The whole fabric of Abyssinian custom rests on the truth of its wives and mothers. A woman may steal and if successful, be regarded with approval for her thrift. She may murder and get away with it, for her relations are responsible for payment of the blood debt. She may have a dozen husbands, a score of lovers, and retain not only her respectability but also her unassailable virtue. But she must not lie.

In all marriages the bridegroom has to appoint two guarantors, who are responsible, financially and morally, for his good behavior. The law of Abyssinia allows a man to beat his wife, but, should the woman complain, the guarantors are forced to pay her 75 cents every other day.

A dramatic story was told to me in Lasta, a northern and almost unexplored province of Abyssinia. There was a girl, young, slender and proud featured, as are many descendants of the 3600-year-old Jewish race which lingers among the mountains, legacy of the days when the son of Solomon and the queen of Sheba married in Abyssinia. Her parents married her as a child to their friend and contemporary. Later, a youth of her own age loved her and, having won her heart, he shot her husband in the ensuing quarrel. Since he had no blood relations, it became the girl's duty to avenge her dead lord. A gun was forced into her hands. The first shot missed. Her brothers dragged the man down and held him. "Make no further mistake," they said. The girl fired into the grass. "Are you satisfied that the blood debt has been paid?" demanded the policeman, expecting a negative and the reloading of the ancient rifle.

"Yes," lied the girl magnificently. "By the death of Menelik, I am". There was a pause of sheer amazement, for, with this oath—the most solemn in the Abyssinian language—the avenger acknowledges quittance of all obligation. The lad went free, and the girl was dragged to the shearer.—Collier's.

You will be surprised!

It will be some surprise! Use pineapple juice sometimes in making the dressing for cabbage and pineapple salad.

A considerable portion of the Maine blueberry crop was saved for the market last season by a process invented in the United States Department of Agriculture. The process, which may be used without payment of royalties to the inventors, effectively removes maggots, debris and unfit berries. The new method was used with great success by nearly all the canners in the infested areas.

Birds are important aids to agriculture, horticulture and forestry, according to publications of the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture. They are active everywhere. Flickers, blackbirds, robins and thrashers seek their insect prey on or near the ground; woodpeckers, nuthatches, titmice and chickadees closely search the trunks and limbs of trees; vireos and warblers scan the leaves and probe the flowers; and flycatchers and swallows sweep their prey from the air.

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Internal remedies are ineffective in removing external pests, such as lice and mites, from livestock, says the United States Department of Agriculture. Since there are many dips and other preparations that will control such parasite when applied externally, much uncertainty and delay may be avoided and best results obtained at least cost by using only tested and proved methods. Use external remedies for external parasites, and internal remedies under proper prescription for internal parasites, most of which are worms.

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Washington, D. C., April 9.—The prosperity about which the Coolidge administration has boasted so much has been located. It is in the pockets of twenty-nine one hundredths of one per cent of the people of the country, as shown by the Treasury Department's analysis of income tax returns for the taxable year 1925.

The Treasury Department's analysis shows that twenty-nine one hundredths of one per cent of the people in the United States paid ninety-five per cent of the income taxes for 1925. It also showed that there were 207 millionaires in the country in 1925, compared with only 75 in 1924. It showed also that one-half of the taxes were paid by persons with incomes in excess of \$95,000. In other words, 10,000 persons paid as much in taxes as did the 2,337,000 other individuals who made income tax returns.

The analysis also showed that 82 per cent of the population paid no income tax whatever. The distressing thing is not the large amount of taxes paid by the millionaire class but rather that under prevailing economic conditions and policies, 82 per cent of the more than 115,000,000 people in the country were not able to earn enough money to make it necessary for them to pay even five cents in income taxes. While a few millionaires were enjoying incomes sufficient to require them to pay 95 per cent of all the income taxes, eighty-two per cent of the people were earning so little they weren't even required to make out a tax return.

The other side of the picture is disclosed by the latest figures on business conditions as reported by Dun's Review. For the first three months of 1927, there were 6643 commercial failures in the country, as compared with 6081 during the same three months of 1926. The liabilities involved in failure during the first quarter of 1927 amounted to \$156,121,853 an increase of approximately fifty million dollars over the amount involved in the failures for the first quarter of 1926. This is a greater number of failures than during one whole year under Woodrow Wilson and almost as great a number as during any year under Wilson.

Thus, while the "special favor" policies of the Coolidge administration made it possible for about one-fourth of one per cent of all the people to earn incomes requiring them to pay 95 per cent of the taxes, and enabled the Steel Corporation to earn dividends of more than \$134,000,000 82 per cent of the people of the country failed to earn enough to be required to pay any tax and more than 6600 of the business concerns of the country were going into bankruptcy within the short period of three months. The bankruptcy record of the first three months of this year has been exceeded by only two similar periods in the country's history, both in years of general depression.

The Treasury Department analysis also shows that a large part of the increased income of those who did enjoy "prosperity" came from the sale of property. This was from the sale of real estate and of securities on the stock exchanges. The real estate profits were largely from land booms, almost wholly from city property. Certainly these profits were not enjoyed by owners of farm property, in the value of which there has been a shrinkage of twenty billion dollars since 1921. Thus the "Coolidge prosperity" has been definitely located in the pockets of the 10,000 ultra-rich income taxpayers, including real estate and stock speculators.

Washington.—The wet and dry question is threatening a rift in President Coolidge's home state of Massachusetts, where the President's most intimate personal friend and adviser, Frank W. Stearns, has resigned from the Roosevelt Club which sponsored the prohibition debate between Senator Wm. E. Borah and Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University. Close friends of the President, including Mr. Stearns and Frederick H. Tarr, a United States District Attorney in Massachusetts, attempted to prevent the debate being held and Mr. Stearns refused to accept tickets to attend it, as did other of the President's friends. They attempted to have invitations to Senator Borah and Dr. Butler to discuss the prohibition question recalled, but were unsuccessful and anti-administration Republicans in Massachusetts, many of them followers of the late Senator Lodge, have been having a great deal of fun out of the Stearns wing of the Roosevelt Club as a result of their failure to prevent the wet and dry issue being stirred up.

COUNTY AND STATE CROPS

At the opening of the 1927 growing season, the farmers of Scott County estimate wheat at 75 per cent of an April normal, with rye 80 per cent, and pasture at 90 per cent. They report the cash rate of farms rented this year as \$5.50 per acre and plowlands alone at \$8.00. Farm wage rates at beginning of season average \$30 per month with board and \$45 without board, while day rates average \$1.50 with board and \$2.00 without board.

Jefferson City, April 14.—The Missouri 1927 wheat crop is now 80 per cent normal, compared to 72 per cent last April, 86 per cent in April, 1925 and 83 per cent for 10-year April average; a gain of 10 points over 73 per cent in December, 1926, according to E. A. Logan of the United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics and Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture.

Assuming a 9-year average abandonment of 3.6 per cent upon the 1,619,000 acres sown last fall, leaving 1,561,000 acres for harvest, with a 10-year average yield of 13.5 bushels,

the harvest might be 21,074,000 bushels, compared to 21,282,000 in 1926. Missouri wheat production has ranged from 21,000,000 to 22,000,000 bushels during past three years.

Missouri wheat got off to a poor start in the fall of 1926, having been sown late and much soil was in poor condition. Early sown wheat generally looks good, but late seedlings are small, and in some sections have been lost. The latter part of February and first half of March were favorable while in latter part of March the crop advanced but little. Heavy rains and overflows in creek and river bottoms have injured some of the best wheat. Winter kill will be average or less. Wheat on thin lands is poor.

Oat seedlings started in the latter part of February, advancing rapidly in early March, but seeding has been at a standstill during the past two weeks, so acreage will now probably be less than expected. Early seedlings in southern section are doing well, except washing rains have done some damage.

Fruits buds are in fair condition, with good prospect for strawberries and cane fruits, but peach buds suffered in all sections. Rains interfered with Orrick potato plantings which according to seed receipts will be more than last year. Orrick district acreage indication is 5750 acres against 5000 last year.

Conditions of rye 87 per cent, compared to 78 per cent last year, and 86 per cent 10-year average. Pastures are 88 per cent and quite promising, and, with average sunshine, livestock in southern counties can subsist without dry feed by middle of April. Spring lambs are more than last spring and cattle feeding about the same, with more feeders and stockers coming in than in 1926.

Cash rents are \$4.00 per acre, where whole farm is rented; \$5.30 per acre for plowland and \$2.75 per acre for pasture lands, although only a few of the better grade farms are rented for cash, while major portions are rented on shares and pastures on a livestock head basis.

Farm wages range about the same as at the opening of the year, with some slight decline in day rates. Farmers are hiring only absolutely needed help to keep up with the season. Milk and egg production show the usual seasonal advance.

Farm work has been delayed by excess moisture, and soaked fields will require much good weather before corn land can be prepared. Very little field and garden work has been done in most sections, outside of oats seeding. Hail severely damaged fruit and greenhouses in local areas. Roads in northern Missouri are bad.

You will be surprised!

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar at the church Saturday, offering for sale, colored Easter eggs, aprons, candies and other novelties. You are requested to attend.

RADISH SHIPMENTS START
AT CARDWELL THIS WEEK

According to O. D. Hall, who was in Kennett Monday on business, shipments of radishes will start from Cardwell this week, and will get well under way next week. There are 400 acres of radishes in the vicinity of Cardwell this year, from which between 75 and 100 cars will be shipped. Market prices are now good and the outlook for the crop is excellent at this time. The Cotton Belt railroad is to build a large packing shed there.

In addition to the radish crop there are 50 acres of beets, 50 of carrots, 50 of tomatoes and 10 in turnips, all in the vicinity of Cardwell.

A feature of the radish crop is that another crop can be planted where they are grown, as they are harvested early. The largest single order for radish seed was the one sent from Cardwell this last spring.—Kennett News.

MISSOURI'S FARM STANDING

Jefferson City, April 11.—That Missouri is fifth among the 48 states in American agriculture, when figured on the basis of 1926 crops and January 1, 1927, livestock and poultry, is the springtime announcement of Secretary Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture. The standings on 69 kinds of principal crops, livestock production and values have been estimated separately, the average showing Missouri the fifth state.

For the ready reference of farmers, writers, speakers and statisticians, the following standings of Missouri crops and livestock are shown, as follows:

First in quality and quantity of bluegrass seed, yet second in actual number of bushels stripped and sold commercially; first in total number of kinds of crops and fruits; in each year always either first, second or third in number of poultry and the production and value of eggs; first or among the first each year in quality and production of soft red winter wheat.

Second in value per acre and fifth in acreage, production and farm value of rice; 2nd in acreage and 4th in production of clover hay.

Third in production and farm value and 4th in acreage of corn; 3rd in mules; 3rd in acreage and 4th in production of timothy hay.

Fourth in number of hogs; 4th in acreage and production of grains cut green for hay.

Fifth in acreage and 8th in production of tame hay; 5th in acreage and total value; 6th in production, with 25,620 acres of tomatoes grown for manufacturing purposes.

Sixth in acreage and 10th in production of oats; 6th in acre yield and 7th in acreage and production of broomcorn; 6th in yield per acre, 7th in value per acre and 11th in acreage, number of bales and total farm value of cotton.

Seventh in acreage of winter wheat for 1927 harvest; 7th in acreage and 11th in production of all hay; 7th in value and 12th in production of peaches; 7th in acreage and production of clover and timothy hay; 7th in total value of cattle, hogs, sheep, horses and mules.

Eighth in acreage and 9th in production of winter wheat; 8th in acreage and 9th in production of sorghum sirup; 8th in acreage and 9th in production of clover seed.

Ninth in acreage and production of flaxseed; 9th in acreage and 11th in production of millet, sudan and miscellaneous hay; 9th in value of the 22 principal farm crops; 9th in horses; 9th in farm crops; 9th in acreage of the principal farm crops; 9th in creamery butter production.

Tenth in milk cows; 10th in acreage and 12th in production in cucumbers for pickles.

Eleventh in acreage and 13th in acre yield of cowpeas; 11th in value and 13th in production of apples; 11th in production of pears; 11th in value of all cattle.

Twelfth in standing of all crops; 12th in acreage and 16th in production of potatoes.

Fifteenth in 1926 carlot shipments of apples, totaling 1464 cars, 11th in 1925, totaling 3056 cars of apples; 15th in Irish potato production.

Sixteenth in acreage and 17th in production of wild hay, 18th in commercial peaches, 20th in acreage of rye.

Were you ever surprised?

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar at the church Saturday, offering for sale, colored Easter eggs, aprons, candies and other novelties. You are requested to attend.

The Paris Appeal asserts that W. J. Carter of Cotter has a "one hen farm" and that his records show Bidly made a profit of \$28.73 for him to January 1, 1927, she laid but 121 eggs but she hatched and reared 36 chicks. Pullet from this flock laid 136 eggs before January 1. The total feed cost for the hen and chicks was \$9.80, gross income and value \$38.53, leaving a net profit of \$28.73.

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Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Sarah E. St. Clair, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1927.

J. CLAUDE WYLIE,
Administrator

Notice Of Special City Election

Notice is hereby given that a special city election will be held in the Second Ward of the City of Skeston, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 26th, 1927, for the purpose of electing a Councilman from said Ward for the unexpired term of F. H. Smith, resigned.

That the polling place for said election in said Ward will be at Boyer's Garage and that said poll will be open for receiving votes continuously from six o'clock in the afternoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon upon the aforesaid Tuesday, April 26th, 1927.

JOHN F. FOX,
City Clerk.

Notice of Substituted Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, Lawrence Gangel and Katie Gangel, his wife, by their certain deed of trust dated the first day of May, 1924, and recorded in Book 49, Page 451 in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri on the 3rd day of June, 1924 at 10:10 A. M. conveyed to Southwest Trust Company, Trustee the following described real estate situated in the County of Scott, Missouri, to-wit:

The Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter, and all that part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter lying West of the now constructed drainage ditch, running through said East Half of Northeast Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, except one acre more or less out of the Southeast corner thereof, being that part of same lying East of St. John's Drainage Ditch, and all of the above described land being in Section Nineteen (19), Township Twenty-eight (28) North, Range Fourteen (14) East.

This Deed of Trust subject to a trust deed of even date in the sum of \$8800.00.

In Trust to secure the payment of two notes in the sum of \$308.00 each, payable annually on the first day of January of each year, with interest at 6% from date, and by the terms of said trust deed same provides, that in event default be made in the payment of the interest upon said note, then both the interest and the principal shall, at the election of the payee of said note become immediately due and payable.

AND WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the interest upon said note, and the legal holder of said note has elected to declare and has declared the entire indebtedness secured by said trust deed due and payable immediately, and has elected to exercise its rights to foreclose conferred by the trust deed heretofore referred to;

AND WHEREAS, said deed of trust provides that in the event of the refusal, death, inability or absence from Scott County, Missouri of the trustee named in said deed of trust to act, then the owner of said indebtedness may appoint a successor in trust with full powers to act.

AND WHEREAS, Southwest Trust Company, Trustee in said deed of trust, has refused to act and has resigned as said trustee.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, H. D. Rodgers, having been appointed substitute trustee by Southwest Mortgage Company, which appointment has been duly recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in Scott County,



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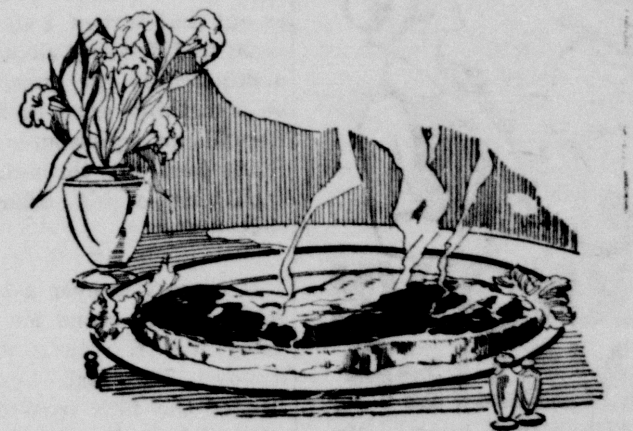
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Were you ever surprised?

Ed Coleman says, "I told you so."

If April showers make May flow-ers, what on earth will this make?

We understand an evangelist stand- ing in the pulpit here in Sikeston that so one who attended the picture show was a Christian; that no one attend- ing a lodge was a Christian. These radical rantings catch few flies, if he really said them. He might have added that no one who went to hell was a Christian. The latter sounds better to a lot of picture show and lodge attendants than the former.

The Standard expects to co-operate with Mr. Lang of the canning com- pany, the county farm agent, and the truck growing expert from the Agri- cultural Department at Columbia, in placing before the farmers informa- tion as to care, work and gathering such crops as may be grown in this section for the cannery and for mar- keting purposes.

Once in a great while The Standard is accused of doing some good deed, accidentally or otherwise. The pass- ing of Dr. Johnson, the atheist, is laid at our door and we are not com- plaining.

Some of our city carrier boys have caused The Standard to do much ex- plaining and apologizing of late by their failure to deliver papers as they are paid to do. It looks to be an im- possibility to find boys who can be re- lied upon. The agent for the St. Louis papers is having just such trou- ble. Every paper day the boys are cautioned to not pass subscribers, but they do it occasionally just the same. When you miss a paper, phone 137 and we'll try to get a paper to you.

Senator Caraway of Arkansas says the Southern Democrats are 50 to 1 against Al Smith of New York for president. Wonder just how he does out that sort of a slate. The South is 50 to 1 for any Democrat who is nominated is our guess. There must be something good in him when the Republican legislatures of New York State has put through his program each term of his administration in that State.

If there was ever a time when Sik- eston should stand as one for any- thing, it is for storm sewers, and do it now. This last heavy rain has floated the filth from open pits and scattered it all over the west and southwest sections of the city. With the waters receding and the sun shin- ing hot, with myriads of flies and mosquitoes breeding in this filth, look out for an outbreak of typhoid and other ills caused by such con- ditions. The health department should look over the situation and require lime and disinfectant to be used in generous quantities. Can't the Coun- cil and our legal department find some way in which the main sewer be built at once, if no more?

The Standard enjoyed a pleasant visit Wednesday afternoon from Ralph A. Jordan, who was on his way from Memphis, Tenn., to his home in Columbia, Mo. He is a product of the School of Journalism at Colum- bia but of late has been one of the staff of the Commercial Appeal at Memphis. His wife is taking the course at Columbia and is specializ- ing in advertising and after she grad- uates they hope to buy a country weekly and live happily ever after.

R. L. Ward and Everett Reeves of the law firm of Ward & Reeves, Caruthersville, were Sikeston visitors Tuesday. They were both wearing mighty good clothes and evidently are prospering under the Coolidge good times.

When seeding a new lawn, it's a good idea to put on about four bush- els of well-rotted manure for each 100 square feet of ground. Work it into the soil well. Then—before sow- ing the seed—work from 2 to 3 lbs. of some good garden commercial fer- tilizer into each 100 square feet of soil. If you can't get any manure, use about twice as much commercial fertilizer. This will speed up the growth of the grass and furnish plant food for several years.

It will be some surprise!

IN MY WAY

By Warren T. Kingsbury

I could not put the cover on my typewriter and push the chair under my desk for the last time did I not say one last word. And that word concerns the man with whom I have been associated these past few months, C. L. Blanton. It has been a pleasant association to me—one that I shall miss much. The informality of the office—a happy family, sharing confidences, joking with one another, gathering together to discuss the lat- est bit of gossip and laugh at the latest escapade—the rush and bustle of press days and the hurry to get the paper out—the floor with its litter of papers and disarranged aspect—there's nothing like it!

Mr. Blanton is back at the cases. Two little girls come in—school girls with their books under their arms. Back of the counter they come and stop a few feet from him. Their faces light up expectantly. He looks up from his work, peers down at them from under his glasses. "What is it, girls?" he asks, a knowing smile upon his face.

"Have you any scrap paper?" comes the question.

"Well, I don't know girls—we'll see", and he lays aside his work and comes up to the paper cutter to see if there are any scraps that may be used for scrap paper. The chances are there is some paper and each girl gets a handful. Sometimes there is not any. A disappointed look comes upon the children's face. "Well, girls", he says, "no paper, but do you think an ice cream cone would do just as well?" The smile comes back—they shyly take the nickel he places in their hands and go out, the happi- est children on earth. And he turns back to his work, chuckling.

That is one characteristic of the man I most admire—his love for chil- dren. I cannot help thinking that the friendships he has collected by spreading joy amongst them is far greater treasure than the material wealth that may have been amassed by any of his neighbors.

There is another side to him that I admire—his fearlessness—the cour- age with which he expresses his honest opinions—his impartiality or, rather, I should say his utter disre- gard for personalities—his honesty.

And there is that about him I value most highly—his friendship. It is a friendship that has no limits and I hope I may ever merit it. I feel that Sikeston is rarely fortunate in having such a man as the editor of its paper and it is with sorrow that I place for the last time, the Journalistic end- mark (30) on my copy and take my leave of him and his force.

DUCK LAW CORRECTED

A new law of interest to duck hunt- ers provides that Missouri sportsmen may begin hunting ducks one-half hour before sunup. This makes the Missouri law conform to the federal law. Heretofore, the Missouri law did not permit hunting of ducks and other migratory birds before sunup, notwithstanding that the federal reg- ulations permitted shooting to begin one-half hour before sunup.

Do you like surprises?

Using a small-top pail when milk- ing aids in keeping milk clean, ac- cording to the United States Depart- ment of Agriculture. Since it has only a small opening through which dirt may fall, it results in less sedi- ment in the milk. Pails of this kind are on the market, but any tinner can convert an ordinary pail into a small- top milk pail by addition of a hood.

The term cull potatoes is usually applied to those that are small, mis- shapen or those that are over-size, and, therefore, not suitable for the market. If these are from healthy and productive plants, they may be safely used, provided that the tubers used for seed be not less than 1 1/4 inches in diameter. When the parent- age of the so-called cull potatoes is not known, they should never be used for seed.

Thumps, a disease of hogs corre- sponding in outward symptoms to hiccoughs in man, is most frequently due to the presence of larval worms in the lungs, a serious matter result- ing in death or stunted growth in many cases. It is occasionally due to disease of the digestive tract, or to lack of exercise. If worms are re- sponsible for the trouble, give the hog one drop of chenopodium for each two pounds of live weight. Mix the chenopodium with two ounces of castor oil for each hog. The dose of chenopodium for adult animals is from 2 to 4 cubic centimeters. For young pigs the dose should be de- creased according to age, size and condition. Always have a veterinar- ian administer the treatment, as otherwise accident or poor results will probably be the outcome. When digestive troubles are causing thumps withhold food for a day, then give the infected animal 3 to 6 ounces of epsom salts.

You will be surprised!

SOME SCOTT COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Instructions For Tomato Growing

The best plants can be grown in cold frames which can be made with 1x12 boards set on edge around the plant bed. This frame should be six feet wide and from 10 to 12 feet long for each acre. It should be located on fertile well drained soil. The cold frame can be covered with a cheap grade of muslin by sewing two strips together. One quart of commercial fertilizer should be raked into the cold frame to each 12 foot bed. Mark off the rows 6 inches apart and sow the seed thinly, not thicker than 3 to 4 seeds to the inch of row, covering the seed about one-half inch deep. As soon as the plants are well up culti- vation should be started.

Spray the Plants

Plants must be sprayed as thor- oughly as in enclosed leaflet 24, "To- mato Plant Bed Spraying".

The Handling of Plants

During warm weather the cover should be thrown back in the day time to allow the plants to grow sturdily. The cover should be remov- ed a week or ten days before the plants are set in the field to insure proper hardening.

Preparing Land in Field

If planting is to be done by hand, rows should be marked off in both di- rections, 5 feet between rows, 4 feet between plants in row. This will give 2178 plants to an acre. The amount of fertilizer to be applied to the acre should be divided and one-half of it drilled in the row the other drilled in the opposite direction in the cross marks. By this method a wider dis- tribution of the fertilizer will be given. If you have no one row fertilizer drill any ordinary cotton drill can be used for this work.

If planting is to be done with a ma- chine all fertilizer will have to be drilled in the row.

The kind and amount of fertilizer to be used on various types of land is suggested as follows:

Sandy Soil 250 to 300 pounds of 3-8-6.

Sikeston Ridge 250 to 300 pounds of 3-12-4.

Black Sandy Soil 250 to 300 lbs. of 2-12-6.

Very Fertile Black Sandy Soil 250 to 300 pounds of Acid Phosphate.

Regardless of fertility of the soil, commercial fertilizer should be used. 250 pounds of fertilizer on 24 tests in Missouri in 1925 gave an average in- crease of three tons per acre over non-fertilized land.

Transplanting

After all danger of frost is over which should be about May 15 and when plants have grown to a height of 6 to 10 inches they are ready to be set in the field. A few hours before plants are to be taken to the field, they should be thoroughly watered. In taking them up they should be lifted with a spading fork to save all the roots. The plants should be kept shaded while being taken to the field. It is a customary practice to set the plants as deep as possible in the field which is usually about three or four inches deeper than they stood in the plant bed.

Other timely suggestions on toma- to production will follow from time to time, likewise, material on beans will follow within a few days.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

The play, "Kitty's Arrival", given by the high school faculty, Friday of last week, was presented to a crowd- ed house. Much praise is due all who took part. Miss Kathryn Sackman

Easter Footwear for All the Family at Money Saving Prices



The Money You Save Here Helps to Buy Some Needed Article

Our purchasing power insures reduced prices to you in shoes and hosiery

You will need a new pair of shoes to complete your Easter costume. Here's where you will get real \$1 value for your dollar! Try us and be convinced. Our prices defy competition.

We have a well defined standard of value—the greatest money's worth for the price asked. Shoes for men, wo- men and children—and reasonably priced, too.

EACH PAIR GUARANTEED



Heuers Sample Shoe Store

Mail Orders Promptly Filled

McCoy-Tanner Building on New Madaid Street---Sikeston

certainly deserves much credit for the coaching and directing of the play

Mesdames G. D. Steele, G. D. En- glehart and Dennis Williams shop- ped in Sikeston, Saturday.

Alfred Deane and Mrs. Willa Alsop drove to Cape Girardeau Saturday. Mr. Alsop accompanied them home to spend the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sackman of Cape Girardeau attended the play given here Friday night at the high school auditorium. Miss Sackman accompanied her parents home to spend the week-end.

With the continued rains and the ditches overflowing, the wheat that showed such wonderful prospect, the farmers are unable to do a thing. Out west in what is known as the Eight Hundred, the farmers are losing their pigs, the water covering nearly all the ground. On top of it all, the bank closed on Thursday. While there is no one to blame only just such con- ditions as is facing the farmers to- day. Frozen loans, which bad crops, low prices making the farmers un- able to pay. There is no shortage, no misappropriated money, but yet those

who lost are at a loss what to do. Mrs. Emma Mecklem and Miss Nancy Mecklem of New Madrid at- tended the play here Friday night.

Misses Ruth Jones and Juanita Cunningham of Sikeston attended the play here Friday night.

Mesdames L. F. Swartz and G. D. Englehart shopped in Sikeston Fri- day.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Noyse, Mrs. Harry Buckles, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sells, Jr., and Mrs. Gid Daniels and little daughter attended the play here Friday night.

It will be some surprise! PEARL ROPES—The last word in Pearls, the 60-inch and 72-inch lengths.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.



Easter Candies

Plenty of good candies for Easter is a treat that will be enjoyed by all. Our candies are guaranteed absolutely pure and wholesome.

EASTER NOVELTIES

Are you planning to entertain Easter? If so you want to be certain that you take time to see the SPECIAL NOVELTIES we have ready for this occasion.

Brunswick Records

The Bijou Confectionery

"Where Good Fellows Meet"

"Daddy" Felker

George Lee

Spring Invitation Sales

FRIDAY

Turkish Towel9c

SATURDAY MORNING

Women's Rayon Hose, 24-in. boot.....35c

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Window Shades, (not a second).....49c

SATURDAY ALL DAY IF THEY LAST

4-qt. Grey Enameled Pudding Pan.....9c

Ice Tea Tumblers, 6 for.....29c

Grey Enameled Tea Kettle59c

These Bargains Are in Addition to Specials Al- ready Advertised

PEEK'S VARIETY 5c and 10c Store

FACTORY ACREAGE RAISED BY FARMERS

The necessary acreage to assure the operation of the Akin-Sikeston Canning Factory was contracted for Saturday night as the result of the most enthusiastic farmers meeting that has been held in Sikeston in many years. Over 150 farmers were present and listened to the talks made by the representatives of the Akin Canning Company, W. F. Akin and Freemont Lang and State and Railroad Agricultural Specialists.

The following acreage was subscribed: (First number being tomato acreage, second bean). Henry Ward, 2, 2; W. W. Cary, Matthews, 1, 1; F. A. Butler, Matthews, 1, 1; J. J. Reiss, Sikeston, 2, 1; S. W. Applegate, Sikeston, 6; Grover Baker, Sikeston, 10, 5; V. L. Potter, Matthews, 1, 1; Cox and Matthews, Sikeston, 3; Marian McFarland, Sikeston, 2, 1; T. W. Gardner, Sikeston, 5, 2; B. G. Gibson, Sikeston, 2 1/2, 1/2; Earl Swartz, Matthews, 1, 1/2; Frank Van Horne, Sikeston, 4, 5; W. C. Critchlow, Matthews, 2, 1; E. L. Crumpecker, Morehouse, 2, 4; O. R. Fahrenkoff, Sikeston, 5, 1; Jennie Stubblefield, Sikeston, 1, 1; W. V. Stancil, Matthews, 6, 1; W. R. Bimford, Matthews, 3, 2; C. L. Pierce, Matthews, 3, 1/2; Jim Cook, Matthews, 3, 2; Charles E. Kaufman, Sikeston, 2, 1; Louis Kern, Matthews, 2; W. L. Smith, Sikeston, 1; J. W. Baker, Jr., Sikeston, 2, 1; Theodore Hopper, Sikeston, 5; W. H. Kelley, Sikeston, 5, 1; W. S. Cherry, Matthews, 3; W. O. Carroll, Cape Girardeau, 2, 1; Earl Cochran, 5, 1; J. W. Gwaling, Sikeston, 3, 1; Oscar Collins, Sikeston, 1; M. L. Robertson, Sikeston, 3, 1; Leonard Pharris, Sikeston, 3, 1; F. M. Sikes, Sikeston, 15, 5; Olpha Vick, Sikeston, 3, 5; C. H. Carter, Sikeston, 2; Olpha Vick, Sikeston, 8, 8; Fred Ralph, Sikeston, 1; Van Watkins, Sikeston, 5, 1; C. A. York, Sikeston, 2, 1; Will Powell, Bertrand, 2, 1; F. J. Fidler, Sikeston, 1, 1/2; R. Q. Brown, Sikeston, 3, 1; Hez Ozment, Sikeston, 2, 1; D. L. Daugherty, Matthews, 1, 1; James Dye, Morehouse, 1, 1; Archy Cook, 1, 1; William H. Tanner, Sikeston, 1, 1; Charles Pierce, Sikeston, 1; E. E. Smoker, Matthews, 10, 2; C. A. Critchlow, Matthews, 2; Grover Keller, Sikeston, 1, 2; W. H. Sikes, Sikeston, 20, 2; Earl Mitchell, Morehouse, 1; P. V. Brannum, 1; Fred Dunn, Sikeston, 2, 1; I. R. Graham, Sikeston, 2, 1; Otto Hopelin, Morehouse, 2, 1; G. A. Byrum, Sikeston, 1, 1; J. W. Smith, 5, 1.

The following, who did not contract to grow tomatoes, signed up for bean acreage: Murray Phillips, New Madrid, 5; C. W. Burnett, 1; Baker Waldman.

EASTER PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Easter Sunday at the Methodist church will be observed with an unusually good musical program at both services.

A double quartette will sing, "Ye Bells of Easter Day" (violin obligato) by Dussler and an arrangement for violin, piano and organ of Meditation by Mietzke will be rendered. The double quartette will also sing, "King of Kings" by Semper at the evening service. Easter organ numbers will be used at both services.

Personnel of choir: Sopranos: Mrs. Charles Bowman, Miss Lillian Shields. Contraltos: Misses Lottie Dover and Ruth Wilkerson. Tenors: Wilbur Ensor and Merlin Granneman. Basses: Harry Dover and Ralph Anderson. Violin: Miss Helen Welsh. Piano: Mrs. Frank Van Horne; organist, Mrs. Henry J. Welsh.

JUDGE FINCH TO AD- DRESS DRAINAGE ASS'N.

Judge James A. Finch of Cape Girardeau will be one of the speakers at the annual meeting of the National Drainage Association at Memphis, Tenn., April 20.

The principal business of the meeting will be to discuss and formulate plans for carrying on the work of the association for the year and to elect officers. J. H. Himmelberger of Cape Girardeau is a member of the organization committee.

Were you ever surprised?

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Parker of Blodgett were Sikeston visitors Tuesday afternoon.

Col. Roper of the staff of the Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn., was a Sikeston visitor Tuesday. From here he went to Morehouse to secure some photographic views of the Himmelberger-Harrison Lumber mill.

You will be surprised!

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

John Spence, Jr., official U. S. weather observer, measured 4.63 in. of rainfall as the precipitation of Tuesday night. This is the most rain that has ever fallen in twenty-four hours in this district since official observation of weather was established. The next largest rain fell in January of this year when 2.35 inches fell. To date there has been 27.94 inches of rain this year, against a normal annual allotment of 36 inches and a half months. It has rained ten days out of the first thirteen in the month of April. In January, 9.31 inches fell, in February 1.77, and in March 7.70. Mr. Spence expects to see an abnormally dry summer and fall, and advises all interested to be ready and get their ground in crops in a rush when weather permits. He points out that the ground is unusually hard and packed, which will make clay impossible to handle once it has dried out.

Warren Sarff was first and Brownie Hinson was second in the high school elimination contest in oration Monday night. There were nine contestants. Virginia Harrison was first and Jewell Hall second in readings. The judges were Supt. Fred Miller of Blodgett, Mrs. M. Hux and N. McMullin of Essex were judges. Supt. A. W. Deneke has given a great lot of attention to these activities and expresses himself as well pleased with the showing made.

Dr. H. M. Kendig of Sikeston removed the tonsils of Mrs. Bryce Edwards Wednesday. The operation was very successful.

SIX CLUBS FOR SEMO BASEBALL LEAGUE

J. P. Whidden, president of the Sikeston Baseball Club, received a communication from A. L. Biffle, president of the Southeast Missouri League Thursday to the effect that Cape Girardeau had decided to join the league. As Cairo has already expressed her willingness to come into the association this will assure a six club league for this season.

President Biffle has issued a call for a league meeting at Sikeston this Sunday to thresh out the final details concerning the schedule and the by-laws governing the league.

WESTMINSTER GLEE CLUB SANG HERE WEDNESDAY

The Glee Club of Westminster College, at Fulton, gave a varied program Wednesday night at Malone Theatre. The program consisted of numbers by the club, quartette, cello, cornetist and orchestra and a chalk talk by one of the club members.

It was a well balanced program, well rendered and appreciated by the small audience who braved the inclement weather.

You will be surprised!

Mrs. Lola Malcolm Smith from Gideon was in Sikeston Tuesday to spend the day with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Malcolm.

It will be some surprise!

Elmos Taylor came in from St. Louis Thursday morning, where he had been at the bedside of his wife, who was operated on at Missouri Baptist Hospital, Tuesday forenoon, for goiter. He reports Mrs. Taylor as doing well as could be expected for so serious an operation. She was in fine physical condition for the operation and the thoughts of her children and husband at home gives her added strength to fight for returned health.

You will be surprised!

Since 1909 no Missouri Legislature has accomplished so much for game and fish as the General Assembly just closed. It was in 1909 that the law providing for hunting and fishing licenses and establishing the Game and Fish Department, as it is now formulated, was passed. Not since then has a Missouri Legislature put on as much constructive legislation as they did in the recent session. Outstanding among the enactments of this last Legislature was the passage of the auxiliary game refuge and public shooting grounds bill. These refuges, augmenting those of the state park system, are the greatest advanced steps that could have been taken for the upbuilding of game in Missouri. Of equal importance to the fishermen is the new law that closes the season for game fish during their spawning season, and other law prohibiting the sale of game fish and establishing a creel limit, which specifies the total number of game fish that may be taken by one person in one day.

Col. Paul B. Moore and Mrs. Moore passed through Sikeston Tuesday afternoon on their way to their home in Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Dess Bloomfield left Tuesday afternoon for Raymondville, Texas to join the Sikeston colony in that city. Dess will be connected with a cotton company of that city.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar at the church Saturday, offering for sale, colored Easter eggs, aprons, candies and other novelties. You are requested to attend.

Louis Watkins and son, John, about Vanduser have placed an order for 2000 White Leghorn chicks to be delivered around May 1. They will be shipped from Kirksville, Mo., and are from a heavy egg laying strain. They will have new quarters ready when the chicks arrive.

Constable Jewell is in receipt of a letter from the Standard Oil Co., stating that a check for \$100 was being sent to him in payment for the part he played in apprehending the thieves who held up and robbed a Standard Oil Station at Cairo a few weeks ago. The balance of the reward of \$250 went to the officers at Dexter. These were the youths that officers had such a hard time in running down after their flight to Poplar Bluff and return.

U. S. FRAUD ORDER HALTS MISSOURI FARM LAND FIRM

Washington, April 11.—A fraud order issued today by the Postoffice Department against the Marston, Missouri Farms, M. Gawansky of Chicago, and H. Seiller of Copenhagen, Denmark, disclosed how a group of American and Continental operators were using lands in New Madrid County and the American immigration laws to obtain money from prospective immigrants to this country.

According to a report, filed by Acting Solicitor W. E. Kelly, Gawansky and his associates advertised in foreign language newspapers in this country and abroad that if the prospective immigrant would make a part payment on 40 and 50-acre farms at Marston they would be given preferred standing in their applications for visas to this country.

The report stated that Gawansky and Seiller admitted to the postoffice inspectors that they had not secured entry into the country for a single foreigner on whose behalf land had been purchased from them. In response to an advertisement appearing in a Hungarian newspaper printed at Cleveland, Gawansky wrote that his firm was willing to get the agriculturist visa for the prospective

immigrant were willing to buy at least 40 acres of land at Marston. The price for this land with a house was \$5000, upon which an initial payment of \$750 in cash was demanded. For 40 acres of land not entirely cleared and without a house, the price was \$3500, and the initial payment \$400 in cash.

"The down payment of \$750 or \$400 at the time of signing contract must be deposited at a local bank", the letter said. "Besides the down payment everyone must have a few hundred dollars, that the necessary equipment may be bought. You can purchase these on payment. In the winter one can work in the sawmill of the city of St. Louis. Naturally everyone can sell their farm as he desires and go wherever he pleases. Therefore, no one is bound to the farm for a long time. To our sorrow we are not any longer capable, as formerly, of selling one farm to two or three partners, but whoever wants to come to the United States quickly has to buy at least one 40-acre farm".

The letter stated that 6500 acres of land were available to prospective immigrants.

"Since not long ago we carried through successfully the sending of the first settlers, we can begin with the second", the letter continued. "We request therefore that if you want to

come to the United States by this means and with your family settle on our farms, fill out punctually the enclosed Hungarian questionnaire and send at once with \$25 for expenses, upon which we will send to you the contract for signature, which later must be sent to Washington that we make take the necessary steps for obtaining the immigration permit.

"The \$25 expenses which are here and in Washington, which every buyer must naturally pay, is under no consideration a down payment for the farm. Hurry that you may not be late for the second shipment. With patriotic greetings, Marston Missouri Farms".

In another letter the firm stated that every buyer would get a visa, as the Washington attorney notified the firm that two Senators, one Congressman and the Governor of Missouri were pleading the case.

A third letter, signed by Seiller, stated that the immigration authorities at Washington required that "at each farm buying the full amount of \$400 should be deposited in a bank at Montreal; therefore if you're still willing to come to the United States, deposit the money with enclosed, deposit slip in Bank of Montreal, and within three or four weeks you can count on the permit to come over".

The Kelly report stated that the evidence showed that the lands in question was the estate of Seth S. Barnes, which had been incorporated under the name of the Marston Realty Company.

"The latter concern, in furtherance of its efforts to market the property, placed it in the hands of Gawansky & Co. of Chicago, which also operate under the name of the Marston Missouri Farm, the report said.

Commenting upon the defense of Gawansky and Seiller, Kelly said that they failed to furnish any definite information regarding the likelihood of securing admission of foreigners into the United States.

"It was, however, plainly stated by them that they relied upon certain persons alleged to be in position of power to obtain for them the necessary permits", Kelly reported.

"They did not furnish the names of such persons nor give any specific information with respect thereto".

Officials of the Marston Realty Co., owners of the land at Marston, which American and Continental operators are alleged to have used in securing money from prospective immigrants to America, said today that they knew of no irregularities in the operation of the plan.

C. M. Barnes, an officer in the company, which holds 6000 acres of land, said that Gawansky & Co. of Chicago was given the land to sell during the English coal strike in an effort to induce people from that country to immigrate here purchase the land.

Barnes said that M. Gawansky, head of the company, required only a deposit from each immigrant and that the immigrants were to be brought in under a clause of the immigration laws providing preference for those seeking to settle on farms. Barnes said that as far as he knows everything was proper.

Barnes said he had not been officially advised of the fraud order issued by the Postoffice Department. He said that he had examined Gawansky's literature sent immigrants and found nothing of an objectionable nature.

The land is a part of the estate of Seth S. Barnes and is considered valuable farming property. None of it has been sold by Gawansky, Barnes said.

Assistant United States Attorney J. Stattler, who is here said he had not been advised of the fraud order, but presumed that a grand jury investigation would be made if necessary. The property is in this Federal court district.—Cape Missourian.

SQUIRREL SEASON SHORTENED

It was an important step that the Legislature took for conservation when they passed House Bill number 55 by Representative Asel of Cole County, which added a month to each end of the closed season for squirrel. The new law opens the season on July 1 and closes it on November 30, thus prohibiting hunting during June and December as heretofore permitted. This law does not take effect until July this year. Therefore, the coming month of June will be open to squirrel shooting.

Other measures of a corrective nature facilitating the work of the department were passed. These dealt particularly with the disposition of confiscated game and confiscated articles. One of the corrective measures touches upon the state park law.

Were you ever surprised?

4.20 INCHES OF RAIN ON TUESDAY

4:20 inches of rain fell here between 7:00 o'clock Tuesday morning and 7:00 o'clock Wednesday morning, flooding basements and marooning almost two hundred houses west of the Frisco railroad tracks and north of the Missouri Pacific right-of-way.

The rain was accompanied by a sharp hail storm, starting at 6:30 and lasting for fifteen minutes, damaging in that time gardens, flowers and fruits all through the community. The rain came in two heavy showers, the first starting after 6:00 o'clock Tuesday night lasting until 9:00; the second, lasting from 1:00 till 2:30.

Kingshighway, from Morley south to Sikeston was covered with water, in many places coming up to the running boards of automobiles. The water filled the old slough north of Sikeston running down from it into North Kingshighway in a manner resembling a good sized stream, keeping the section of street in front of the Methodist Church flooded all day Wednesday.

In the low section in the west part of town, the water collected to a depth of six feet in some of the lowest places. The water got into the houses rising over the floors and driving the occupants to perches on chairs, beds and boxes. Conditions in this district were such that Mayor Fuchs was called, and with the assistance of several men in the neighborhood, he worked from 4:00 until 8:00 in the morning, ferrying women and children out in a boat.

Wednesday morning the popular method of transportation was by boat, in this particular section and the scene might well have been taken from a flooded river town instead of in the inland town of Sikeston.

COTTON GROWERS CO-OP. ASSOCIATION

At a special meeting of the directors of the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-Op. Association held at the office of the Association in New Madrid on Monday, April 11, it was decided, owing to the swing of volume in deliveries from the northern to the southern end of the district to redistrict the State and give greater representation to the larger delivering counties. Pemiscot County, the largest delivering county in the State in 1926 was divided into two districts. There will be a director elected from each of these. Several of the counties in the northern and western part of the cotton section were combined into one district. The new directorate will be as follows: Mississippi County 2, Stoddard, Scott, Butler, Ripley, Howell and Ozark 1, New Madrid 3, Pemiscot 2 and Dunklin 1. This division was arrived at by taking the average deliveries for the past two years.

The receipts for 1926-27 were approximately 7000 bales which, although not equaling the 1925 deliveries is a decided increase over normal deliveries in the past. This is due to better understanding of Co-operative Marketing on the part of the members plus a greater confidence in the ability of the directors and management of the Association affairs.

The Board ordered an election to be held for the purpose of nominating candidates and electing new directors for the coming year. This election will be held in each district. Arrangements are now being made in the office to get the ballots out to the membership.

The annual meeting of the Association will be held in New Madrid on May 24. C. G. Henry, president of the Arkansas Association and Robert Fletcher, Jr., Secretary of the Tennessee Association have been invited to be present at this meeting.

You will be surprised!

Clyde Myers was a Cape Girardeau visitor, Tuesday.

Mrs. Hattie Beal entertained with a birthday party given at her home Thursday night. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. John Andres, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. John Halter, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Beal, Julia Buckles, Jessie Vaughn, Myrtle Andres, Anna Ward, Lucy Andres, Harry Trousdale, Ralph Cutrell, Walter Penner, Russell Hartfield and Mr. Gardner. At a very late hour, refreshments of chicken sandwiches, punch and cake were served after which the guests took their departure reporting a very nice time. Many useful and nice presents were received.

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IN MY WAY

By Warren T. Kingsbury

It is a strange feeling, this that I have as I sit here writing for the last time, my column. The rain beats down on the roof and is lashed against the windows by the wind. Thunder rolls and the heavens light up with the intermittent flashing of the lightning. Tempestuous as the night is, however, it is no more so than is my mind. I almost feel compelled to join the Heavens, in what, I ironically say, is their weeping and lamentation over my departure for, it is with a distinct feeling of regret that I prepare to leave Sikeston. A

year and a half seems but a very short time in which to have an abiding affection for a town and its people take root within one's heart. Yet, in that length of time, I have grown to like Sikeston as I do no other place and to feel that the best friends I have are here.

When I look back at that eighteen months, I realize that they have not been ordinary months. I have entered into your lives in a way that is not given to many. I have been in your schools, I have known your children, worked with them, rejoiced in their successes; sorrowed in their failures. I have, to a certain extent, had a part in the moulding and shaping of their lives and I have the same interest in watching their lives unfold and develop that an architect has in seeing his plans shaped into a steel and stone structure. That this part of mine was small and insignificant, I realize; that it might have been better performed I know; but, the part was played to the best of my ability and as I look back on that time spent, it is with pleasure.

From day to day, people of Sikeston, I have recorded in black and white your life as a community. Mine has been the task of announcing your births, thinking as I did of all the hopes and ambitions centered by the two fond parents in that cooing, crying, cunning bit of humanity. To me it has been given to chronicle your deaths, mourning as you mourned. And to me it has fallen to

record all those activities of life that fill the span bridging birth and death. I have told of your striving forward, of your reaching out and up for the things which would better the town; I have chided you on your shortcomings; laughed with you in your jokes; sorrowed with you in your misfortunes; smiled at your pranks; grieved at your misdeeds.

Is it any wonder then, that I feel that I am a part of you and that you are a part of me? Is it any wonder then there is a tugging at my heart as I think of leaving and that I feel I am leaving a part of me behind?

"In My Way", once more I cover the town in my thoughts—going from place to place. This person nods and smiles as he passes by; that person stops and exchanges a word or two; I delight in knowing you, in sharing your friendship; I go into your stores and offices; I get your thoughts and ideas. I learn what you have been doing, what your neighbors have been doing; what the town has been doing. I know what the latest gossip is; I discover your pranks. Oh, I know you well, people of Sikeston.

And knowing you, I like you with all your faults and virtues. I like your good fellowship; like your spirit of progress; like your humanness. I hope you like me because I want to come back to you often. And when I do return, which I trust will be soon, I hope I shall find the same friendships and the same good will. So, leaving you, I wish to you the best and say, not goodbye or farewell (they sound so final) but, Adios, or till we meet again.

Wonder if anyone has given thought to the fact that the Almighty is sending punishment on the people for their sinful way of living in late years. The wars, the killings, the robberies, the fast living, and other things too numerous to mention. This is real food for thought for if the excessive floods, the hail and the tornadoes haven't sent shivers down your spine, you are beyond redemption. Greed and grasping for gain, financially and socially, neglect of home and family for bridge and poker, the drinkers and sellers of illicit liquor, the brazen flapper and the hardened flapper, the owner of a car who owes everybody, those who can and won't pay their just debts. These are a few that should try and do better. We are all more or less superstitious and while the storm raged Tuesday eve, the thought came to us, that if the Bible was true, that these things were sent to us to warn us of the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Sunday, comes Easter, a festival both commemorative of the resurrection of Jesus Christ and a memorial to the atonement wrought by the Master upon the cross. It is hailed with great acclaim in all the Christian churches of the world. In Greek and Latin and in the languages derived from them, Easter was known as "Pascha", "Pasch", "Pasqua", "Pasqua", etc., from the Chaldee word, "Pascha", the equivalent of the Hebrew "Pisach". The "Destroying Angel's" act is recalled by the last name in "passing over" the households of the Hebrews when he smote the Egyptians, as disclosed in the twelfth chapter of Exodus. Easter is determined as the first Sunday after the paschal full moon—the fourteenth day of the calendar moon, or the full moon which happens upon or next after March 21; and if the full moon happens on a Sunday, then Easter day is the first Sunday following. The churches of Sikeston have, as usual, prepared elaborate services for Easter Sunday and it is to be hoped that the entire town will turn out to do worship.

Wiley Wilkerson is home from a visit to his father at Mokane, Mo. While there he said Sam Freeman, the city marshal, was inquiring about The Standard editor. When a youngster we attended many a dance given at the home of Sam Freeman living then, near Paris. Am glad he told Wilkerson nothing bad about us.

TOMATO PLANT-BED SPRAYING

To prevent the loss of plants thru insect injury and the spread of leaf disease from the plant bed to the field, and to avoid, so far as possible, the necessity of expensive field spraying, commercial tomato growers are finding it highly profitable to spray their plant beds. While this does not entirely prevent the danger from later infection and spread of leaf spot and blight in the field it does reduce the chance of such loss and at very low cost. The danger of loss is further reduced if tomatoes are planted only on land where they have not been grown for two years or more.

Purpose of Spray.—To prevent spread of leaf spot and blight; and to kill eating insects such as flea beetles and Colorado potato beetles. Time to Spray.—The first spray should be applied while plants are small, from 2 to 3 inches tall. The second spray should be applied a few days before setting in the field. This should be early in May and plants should be 6 to 8 inches tall and well branched.

Note.—Additional sprays should be applied if needed to prevent insect injury.

What To Use.—Bordeaux mixture (4-4-50) with arsenate of lead added.

To make six gallons of bordeaux dissolve one-half pound of bluestone (copper sulphate) in 3 gallons of water. Slake and dissolve one-half lb. of some lime or three-fourths pound of hydrated lime in 3 gallons of water. When ready to spray, mix these two solutions together in equal amounts, stirring vigorously, and for each gallon of spray add one tablespoonful of powdered arsenate of lead dissolved in water.

Prepared bordeaux mixture can be purchased in powdered form ready for use when mixed with water. If no arsenate of lead is present in the mixture it should be added as described above, one tablespoonful to the gallon of spray. The ready mixed bordeaux is more expensive than the home-made.

How to Apply.—Thoroughness in spraying to cover all parts of the leaves, is important. Any type of sprayer, even the small hand outfit, can be used; but the finer the mist, the better the plants will be coated.

The five essentials of successful tomato production are:

First, Maintaining Soil Fertility.—Either turn under a legume crop as green manure or use 6 to 8 tons of stable manure per acre. And in addition to either of these, apply from 200 to 300 pounds of high grade commercial fertilizer, by mixing with the soil in the row before planting.

Second, Thorough Preparation of the Soil.—Prepare soil by deep plowing, when practicable, and by thorough working in the spring.

Third, Using Only Strong, Vigorous Plants Grown From Best Seed. Fourth, Reducing Loss From Diseases.—Use a new location for the plant bed, and plant tomatoes only on soil not used for tomatoes for two years or more.

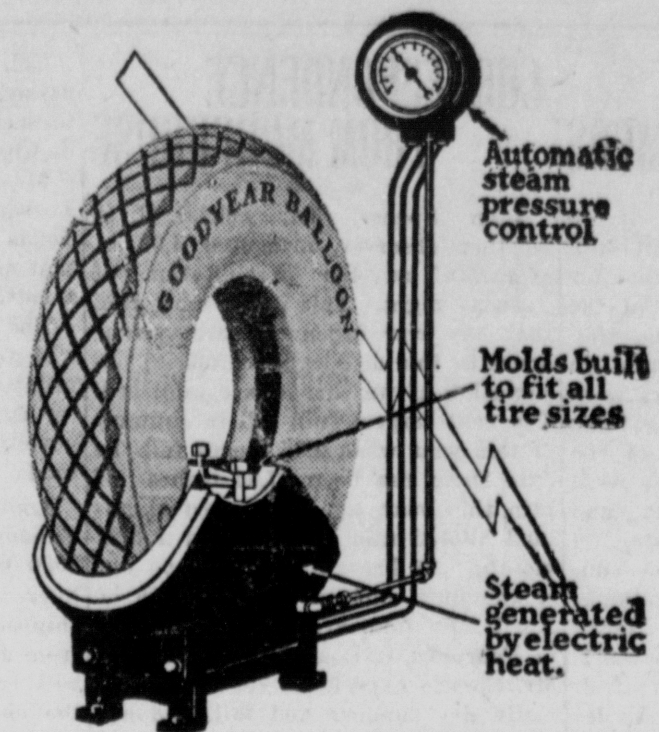
Fifth, Frequent Shallow Cultivation in the Field.

From day to day, in every way, the country seems to be growing wetter and wetter.

There are a good many nuts to be cracked in Sikeston. The first nut is the surface water that we must get rid of; the second is to find a way to pay for the drainage sewer, then to follow with paved streets. These are nuts that have to be cracked and if you have an idea how it can be done, put it in writing and submit it to the Board of Aldermen. Sidewalks in the Chamber of Commerce Addition is an extra hard nut to handle for the reason that most of the owners of the houses live in the sections of Sikeston that already have sidewalks. Phillip Gross of that Ward will put up an active fight to have the walks authorized and it is hoped there will be no remonstrance. In order that children can get to school, this nut must be cracked before another winter, or many empty houses in this addition will be the result.

The sentencing of Harry Sinclair in the District of Columbia, for refusing to give up his insides to an inquisitive committee, has been postponed for 30 days. This in order not to prejudice the minds of a jury to be selected to try Fall for some connection with the leasing of certain oil lands. In the minds of the public, any prominent man who is mentioned in any connection with the Government where he may gain, is guilty. It looked considerably like Fall is guilty of something in the leasing of some other oil lands, but he was declared by a jury of 12 men to be innocent. This case against Sinclair should have been quashed when Fall was acquitted, but not so. Sinclair refused, on advice of his attorney, to answer questions that might reflect on himself and would help nobody. Our guess is: Fall will not be tried and Sinclair serve no time in jail for protecting himself.

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AMERICA ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS AGO

Westminster, Vermont, April 11, 1777.—The people of this country, which is officially called the New Hampshire Grants, but which is beginning to call itself New Connecticut or Vermont, are awaiting anxiously the arrival of express riders who can tell them whether the congress of the continent has heard their prayer and will admit them as a new state in the American Union. They want to be free, not only from the crown of Great Britain, but also from the state of New York.

Why freedom from Great Britain? Ask Vermont. She knows. Why freedom from New York state? Again ask Vermont. If freedom means anything, say our people, it means complete freedom, as we have already told the congress. New York claims this country as a part of her own. We dispute the claim and say we have as much right to set up a government of our own choice as they have. That is how we feel about New York. As to Great Britain, we refer you to a tombstone in the graveyard of this village which reads as follows, viz:

In Memory of William French Son to Mr. Nathaniel French Who Was Shot at Westminster March ye 13th 1775 by the hands of Cruel Ministerial tools of George ye 3d in the court house at a 11 o'clock at Night in the 22d year of his Age—

Here William French his Body lies For Murder his blood for Vengeance cries King George the third his Tory crew they with a bawl his Head Shot threw

For Liberty and his Country God he Lost his life his Dearest blood

More than a month before the Battle of Lexington and Concord, a band of the king's soldiers marched here to set up the king's court, although our people had said they would no longer be governed by that court. About 100 men gathered at the courthouse to dispute the entrance of the court officers, among them being William French. They were armed only with sticks from Capt. Azariah Wright's woodpile. The enemy, after refusing to parley, marched up fast to within ten rods of the door and fired. French fell with four bullets in him, one thru his brain. The soldiers then rushed in with their swords and guns and did most cruelly injure several more.

It is from such proceedings as this that Vermont wants freedom, and under officers of her own choosing.

The Rich, The Poor, The Happy

A second-hand automobile of a small and popular make caused a divorce in a New Jersey town.

The wife testified that she and her husband quarreled about the upkeep and couldn't agree as to the friends they wanted to take for rides.

And so the husband flivvered his wife out to her mother's and left her there for all time.

They had been happy in poverty, but they couldn't stand even a little prosperity, even so much as is indicated by a second-hand automobile.

How is it that the poor seem to be kinder to each other than the well-to-do?

You and I know families that seemed to get along pretty happily on \$2500 a year and have gone to pieces

on \$25,000 a year.

Motoring in the South in the fall, I came across a man and his wife who had lived the life of wealthy people in my own city. He was deeply immersed in a successful business. He was a slave to the endless routine of affairs. Riches had not brought satisfaction.

My friend sold his business. He and his wife both retired from the conventional routine of city life, bo't a farm down South, went back home to Nature—and now they're both happy.

This may not be the thing you want to do or ought to do. But perhaps something else is—and you are not doing it because you lack courage and a really normal viewpoint.

Life lived at its best does not consist in the accumulation of things—on the outside. It consists in the accumulation of resources—on the inside.

If there are no hills and valleys and castles in the mind to flee to, we are in a bad way when we are caught too closely in the complexities of living.

The thing the human being wants most is some kind of a comfortable adjustment to his environment. Don't think that going from \$2500 to \$25,000 a year is going to give you that.

Perhaps you want woods and fields and the open road. If those are the things your soul seeks, have the courage to take them as soon as it can be done decently and in honor.

Emerson said, "nothing can bring you peace but yourself".

Merely adding things to the daily routine won't bring it.—J. C.

You will be surprised!
Were you ever surprised?

L. L. Cornatzer and George Johnson Announce the Opening in the White-Dorroh Building of the C. & J. Used Car Exchange

WE BUY AND SELL USED AUTOMOBILES OF ALL MAKES

NOVEL PLAN TO RELIEVE FLOODS

When the Mississippi here gets very high it is always a matter of local concern, aside from the picturesque of the scene as the water quietly creeps towards the door-steps of the residents.

Right now the great Father of Waters seems to be halting between two opinions—whether to rise or whether to fall, but the overhanging sky still threatens rains; and the darkies say, that "as long as the river keeps a raisin' it is gwine to keep a rainin' " and surely as long as it keeps a raining the river will continue rising.

There are probably forty acres south of Commerce, outside the levee, inundated, and with the exception of a few fields of alfalfa there are no crops in the wake of the flood to suffer. At its crest this high water was about six inches higher than that of 1916 and about six inches lower than that of 1922, which was the highest ever known here, except, possibly, the great flood of '44—but time has obliterated every vestige of evidence as to the magnitude of that overflow.

Running southward from Commerce is a ridge, known from immemorial time as Methodist Ridge, which proved to be inadequate in holding back the big river, hence the levee in 1916, which so far has stayed the flood. No one knows just how it acquired that name. It may be because there were many willows skirting its borders—and willows have proven to be a great factor in the promotion of Methodism, in that they were well adapted for making baskets and at all Methodist meetings baskets must be passed around to take up a collection!

Another inference is, that the name was applied during a very dry season, for with water everywhere, as now, it would have been far more appropriate that this ridge should have borne the name Baptist as its appellation.

The entire area of Cat Island, which is some twenty times larger, is completely submerged and nowhere on any of these fertile farming acres could even Noah's dove find rest for the sole of its foot. It would require a submarine to locate the horse-lots over there and as for Tow Head, its section corners could not be found with a diving bell. The cat-fish and eels inhabit the hen houses on these islands and the buffalo and carp are panting in the smoke-houses where bacon was wont to be.

But it is an ill wind that blows nobody good—for soon these surging waters will subside. As Solomon observed: "The rivers flow into the sea and the sea is not full". So the laws of gravitation will in due time restore all of these rich acres to their owners and soon the glad voice of the plowman, mingled with the song of the blackbird, will be heard amid resounding echoes along the river's conclave shores.

When the waters recede, deposits of silt and rich alluvial soil may be looked for, greater than the whole fertilizer output of the Armour factories and more evenly spread than could be done by the hand of man; then out of this, at the tinging of the autumn's leaves, will come marvelous corn crops that bounteous nature will yield from those same fields which today are hidden like the ocean's cave.

It is easy to understand that the levee system has caused the rivers to rise higher than in former days, and there are thousands of acres behind the levees shut off from the benefits of the rich deposits of silt—and it is a mooted question as to whether or not the levees are an unmixed blessing to the lands sought to be redeemed—for, with the levees often come the seep waters with no outlet, but evaporation, and this is a part of the unsolved problem.

When the Panama Canal was finished, the tools in that Herculean task were junked. Like Alexander, who wept when there were no more worlds for him to conquer, the builders of the Gatun Locks and the world's marine highway from Colon to Panama, could only heave a sigh as the ponderous implements of their trade were cast aside to disappear under the corrosive touch of time.

But there was one more job which these promoters might have done. The Tennessee River runs to a point twenty-five miles below the north line of Alabama. From this point southward to the Gulf of Mexico is only two hundred miles, but if a motor boat starting from this same point headed along the Tennessee, thence down the Ohio and thence down the Mississippi to the Gulf, one thousand miles, it would traverse a distance of more than one thousand miles. Six inches is the reputed fall per mile in all of these rivers, gives an altitude at this starting point on the Tennessee, say near Florence, Ala. of five hundred feet above the level of the sea. Now suppose Lieut. Goethals should have re-employed his engines and dredging dippers on a canal to lead the waters of the Tennessee southward into the Montgomery river and thence into the Gulf at Mobile, all of the excess waters out of both the Ohio and Tennessee rivers could have been three times as quickly entered into the ocean and forever "afterwards there would have been no more overflows in the Mississippi and not a dollar would have to be paid out on levees, the annoyance of seepwaters would have been overcome and millions of dollars would have been saved to the riparian owners. Some might contend that all this would seriously affect navigation. There would always be channels, which could be dredged to advantage, but even if not, the money saved in the Mississippi Valley proper would have built a wide concrete highway both from Minnesota and Wisconsin southward to the Gulf, which in this modern day would have been far more practical and efficient than the Robert Fulton plan of ante-bellum days. Every year untold millions are expended on government fleets, dikes, alleged dredging and graft and what has it all availed? But let the United States Government project a plan to drain southward the waters of the Tennessee, the Cumberland and part of the Ohio and the records of an overflowing Mississippi would pass into history.—Joe L. Moore.

MISSOURI ACREAGE OUTLOOK

The springtime intentions of Missouri farmers show 5 per cent increase in corn acreage, or 6,724,200 acres. In the nation the increase outlook is 1.8 per cent.

Oat indication is 2 per cent increase to 2,119,000 acres. National oats outlook is 3.2 per cent increase.

The indications point to 15 per cent increase in rice acreage, Missouri's new crop, making the 1927 total 12,000 acres. National rice outlook is 7 per cent decrease. In the United States the outlook is for 14.9 per cent increase in Irish potato acreage.

Open Dove Season

Missouri sportsmen will be pleased to know that hereafter dove hunting in season will be permitted in Missouri. It was not without strenuous efforts that this bill was passed. The law reads that doves may be hunted from September 1st to December 15, and that the bag limit shall be 10 a day and 15 in possession, the same as our bag limit for quail. It was a matter of justice to Missouri sportsmen that the season was opened as dove hunting is permitted by the federal migratory bird law and doves are hunted in the neighbor states of Missouri, and there is no reason why Missouri sportsmen should be deprived from this sport. Some legislators argued that there would be no sport to shooting the doves while sitting on the fences or in the trees, but good sportsmen do not shoot doves except on the wing any more than they would shoot quail while on the ground. The dove bill was Senate Bill No. 17. It, together with the two fishing bills, were handled in the Senate by Senator Buford of Reynolds County, who was chairman of the game and fish committee in the Senate.

Were you ever surprised?

An imperfect seal or lack of sterilization will cause catsup to spoil. Bottles should be sterilized and filled while they are boiling hot, with boiling catsup, and then processed in the water-bath canner for 30 minutes.

METHODIST CHURCH

Everybody at church Friday evening. We are praying for the entire town to meet in the different churches to remember CHRIST SUFFERED for us all that we might have LIFE.

Sunday school at 9:30 Junior Church Service and the regular morning service will be together, beginning at 10:30. Baptism of infants 11:10 with sermon to follow. Subject: "The Resurrection the Hope of the World". At the close of the sermon members will be received. One thousand at the Methodist church Easter Sunday is our aim.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Friday evening: Special "Cross and Passion" service, illustrated with pictures. Saturday evening: "The Sealed Tomb".

Sunday morning: "He Lives". Sunday Vesper Services—4:30.—"Christ's Witnesses".

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services next Sunday night in the Presbyterian church 7:30 p. m. conducted by the pastor, Rev. Geo. F. Mason.

Helpful service. Pointed message. Everybody cordially invited.

Do you like surprises?

Hens will successfully brood 10 to 15 chicks early in the season, and 15 to 20 in warm weather, depending on the size of the hen.

MEAT INSPECTION BRINGS CONFIDENCE

About two-thirds of all animals slaughtered for food in the United States are federally inspected, a large proportion of meat establishments doing an inter-state business, says the United States Department of Agriculture. Federal inspection of animals is made before and at the time of slaughter.

An animal that looks sick or abnormal in any other way is tagged with a metal label fastened to the ear, reading either "U. S. Condemned" or "U. S. Suspect", depending on the ailment. If condemned, the animals so tagged must be taken into the slaughter room. Animals of merely doubtful condition are kept apart and slaughtered separately.

The present export trade in American meats is possible largely because the Federal inspection system enjoys the confidence of foreign governments.

Do you like surprises? Maori feminine names are poetical. Among others are the following: Plume of the Precious Bird, White Heron, The Young Lady in Love, The Diamond.

Were you ever surprised? A simple way to prevent horn growth is to rub slightly moistened caustic soda or potash 3 or 4 times alternately on the undeveloped horns when the calves are 4 to 10 days old. Allow the caustic to dry each time before applying to the next. You can get the caustic at any drug store. It comes in sticks about the size of a lead pencil.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Attend the Revival Meeting at the Baptist Church. Fine interest notwithstanding the rain. Evangelist Deal preaches every evening at 7:30 and the morning prayer meeting at 7:30 is well attended. It might change the whole course of your life if you would join this group of people in the morning hour of prayer.

The usual services on Sunday conducted by Evangelist Deal. The pastor will have baptismal services next Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock as he did last Sunday. You are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

S. P. BRITE, Pastor.

It will be some surprise!

The average sized oyster consumes thirty quarts of water a day.

The brown rat, probably brought to the United States from England about 1775, has spread until it now infests every State in the Union, says the United States Department of Agriculture. The last State to become afflicted with this pest is Montana.

It is often the practice of drivers of automobiles and teamsters to break through barricades closing the roads while under construction or repair. Hereafter this will be a violation of the state laws, as the session of the Missouri legislature just closed put a new law on the Missouri statute books making it a misdemeanor to break through such road barricades. It is a good law and aimed particularly at auto drivers who drive on fresh concrete laid by the State Highway Department.

Were you ever surprised?



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Local and Personal

Do you like surprises?

Ruskin Cook of St. Louis was a Skeston visitor, Monday.

Adding to the precipitation of Tuesday, .86 of an inch of rain fell on Wednesday night.

The Co-Workers will hold their regular meeting in the church parlors, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

Dear Mother would surely enjoy an Easter morning flower from the Young Floral Shop. Phone 192.

Homer Decker, Jr., who is in school at Fayette, Mo., has been engaged to teach the Cross Roads School the coming school year.

The U. D. C. postponed their meeting that was to have been held Thursday afternoon of this week to Thursday afternoon of next week.

Vernon Skillman returned Thursday night from Washington University, St. Louis, to spend Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Skillman.

The U. D. C. meeting which was to have been held at the home of Mrs. R. M. Hilleman, Thursday, April 14, has been postponed until Thursday, April 21.

David Blanton came in Thursday morning from Columbia to spend the Easter holidays with homefolks. John Fox was expected to follow on the next train.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clymer and family and Miss Alma Harris of St. Louis were week-end guests of the parents of the ladies, Mr. and Mrs. Cy Harris.

Mrs. Florence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin will entertain with a dancing party at their home Monday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Northington of Kansas City.

Dr. N. R. Rodas of Mexico and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ryland Rodas, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. L. O. Rodas of Skeston the past week. They returned to their home Saturday morning.

Dode Wainman went to St. Louis Saturday night to bring home Mrs. Wainman, who had been in a hospital in that city for an operation. She stood the trip right well and is improving right along.

J. Fred Bowman came to Skeston last Wednesday for a visit with his wife and son. Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Bowman went to Cape Girardeau to visit Mr. Bowman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Cottle. Mr. Bowman returned to St. Louis, Monday.

Charles Hebbeler will attend a Jersey cattle sale of Col. Banister, at Long View near Kansas City on the 25th of the month. He will look the offering over and may purchase some of the record milk stock for their dairy farm south of Skeston.

Franklin Moore, at the Missouri Baptist Hospital, St. Louis, continues to improve from the recent serious operation he underwent. It will probably be two weeks before he will be able to return to Skeston. In the meantime the gang is pulling for him.

Robley Lennox, Barney Forrester, Dr. C. W. Limbaugh, Dess Bloomfield, H. E. Dudley, Dan McCoy, Lee Bowman, "Boots" Bruton, Ernest Harper and Eddie Mathis were among those from Skeston who attended the opening of the baseball season in St. Louis.

Rev. Ensor reports several promising broods of both White and Barred Plymouth Rocks at his place. One hatch that he is especially proud of is from the yards of Newton Kosh in the East who is a big winner every year at the New York shows. This is one of the Reverend's recreations and a very great pleasure for him. He is going to have several extra cockerels from his flock for sale this fall and they will be valuable new blood.

It will be some surprise!

The horse that has a good temperament has big, mild, bright eyes. His head's wide between the ears. He obeys commands readily, and has an alert, graceful carriage when he's moving.

Do you like surprises?

MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Kansas City will have 687-acre airport, only 1.4 miles from postoffice, for both seaplanes and land machines.

Knox City—High Grade Oil Company erects oil tanks along railroad tracks east of station.

Louisiana—Site to be chosen for erection of Smith-Barr Memorial Hospital in this city.

Trenton—Plans under way for improvement of Moberly Park.

Greentop—Wabash Railroad repairing bridge one mile north of town.

St. Clair—New white way system to be installed in this place.

Mitchellville—New highway to be constructed between Pattonsburg and Mitchellville.

Kennett—Pickard-Wilson Company to build new filling station in Kennett.

Edina—Iowa Soap Company to open factory in this town.

Conran—Repairs to be made to Federal Highway No. 61 near here.

Farmington—Several streets of city to be paved.

Greenville—New store building to be erected on Main Street.

Marshfield—New filling station being erected at Jackson Street and the Highway.

Morehouse—V. A. Cedarburg to establish mushroom canning plant here.

Overland—New white way system to be installed.

Lee's Summit—Several streets of city to be paved.

St. Charles—Car shops have 450 men building 24 steel coaches for the Wabash Railroad.

Fair Play—New tomato cannery buys old roller mills plant, for cannery use.

Washington—Concrete paving resumed to close all gaps on U. S. Highway No. 66.

Trenton—Riggs' Ice Cream Factory on Gilmore Street to establish creamery here.

Fulton—Highway No. 40 from Fulton to Columbia being graveled.

Odessa—Lowe Railroad and Express Salvage Company to open store here.

Bethany—New stamp canceling machine to be installed in local post office.

Garden City—Cornerstone laid for new Baptist church in this place.

Cassville—Capacity of Seven Valleys Cheese Company to be doubled.

Liberal—C. O. Massie to open bakery in this town.

Jasper—Work on new Dry Milk plant in Jasper under way.

Hermann—New bridge to be constructed over Missouri River here.

Seymour—Well being drilled for new water system in Seymour.

Boonville—Improvements being made at tourist park here.

Ferguson—Cornerstone laid for new Lutheran church.

Cape Girardeau—Plant to be established here by Cape Silica Company to handle clay products.

Slater—Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to erect new building in this town.

St. Joseph—Highway No. 36 will be hardsurfaced from Hannibal to St. Joseph.

Froistatt—Cornerstone laid for new parochial school of Evangelical Lutheran church.

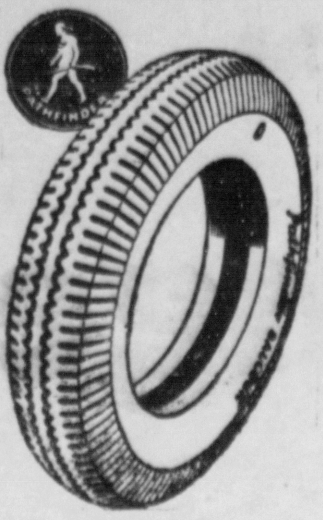
Farber—New high school proposed for construction in this town.

Branson—Missouri Pacific Railroad constructing new berry sheds in Branson.

You will be surprised!

There are today approximately five million radio receiving sets in use in the United States, which means about twenty million potential listeners in each night.

Cows don't run a very high temperature with milk fever. In fact, fever is usually absent. More often than not, the body temperature of the cow goes down instead of up. The disease is in reality a form of paralysis incident to calving. It generally comes on within a couple of days after the birth of the calf. The most common method of treating milk fever is by injecting sterile atmospheric air into the udder. This air treatment is not only simple, but it's highly effective.



Any Way You Figure

If you buy on Price
We'll sell you a quality
tire that will beat mail
order prices.

If you buy on Quality
We'll sell you tires that
will beat the price and
out-run the mileage of
other first grade tires.

If you want the Best
We'll sell you tires that
are beyond comparison.
AND THEY ARE ALL
GOODYEARS

Sensenbaugh's Super
Service Station

Do you like surprises?

A week after it happened is a fine
time to discover that the case of
mutilation north of Sikeston was a
case of mistaken identity!

We are afraid to predict clearing
weather for the coming week, but a
number of us old-timers have great
confidence in the almanac and with
the change of the moon Saturday,
look out for fair weather.

"Sikeston will sink and Morehouse
will be blown away on Good Friday",
so says the Woman of Taskee, ac-
cording to rumor that has been cir-
culating through out town this past
week. And those who place credence
in the sayings of the "Woman of
Taskee" are shifting about uneasily
and thinking about changing their
residence for the day at least. Cer-
tainly their fears have not been
quieted any by the hail, wind and
rainstorm of Tuesday night. Nor has
the report of queer mutterings and

rumblings in the ground brought any
peace to their minds. Some say that
Sikeston Ridge is the top of an arch
formation of the earth; that beneath
this arch lies a hollow (perhaps it is
Scott Wallace's cave) into which the
Sikeston Ridge with Sikeston will
sink on Friday. It is this hollow that
reverberates as the trains thunder
down the track, causing the ground to
vibrate in much the manner a drum
head does when struck by a drum
stick. These heavy rains, they tell
us, have undermined this arch forma-
tion and eaten it away until it can no
longer support the weight of the
ridge. It is going to give way and
sink down to the level on the land on
both sides of the ridge. Perhaps only
the very superstitious place any cred-
ence in the prophecy of the "Woman
of Taskee". Yet there are mutterings
among the negroes of evil doing to
come and there are a great many
white people who will breathe easier
when "Good Friday" has passed by
and the town remains as is.

There are those who believe that
the "Woman of Taskee" is infallible.
Yet, such is not the case. I heard re-
cently of an incident taking place in
Dexter. A woman had a fiery little
dog which she thought very much of.
The dog disappeared so the woman
made the trip to Taskee to have the
medium tell her its whereabouts.
When "Little Joe" condescended to do
his stuff, he told her that a man,
whose house she could see from her
porch looking to the east, had stolen
her dog and taken it to his farm
down in the country where it was now
running about barking happily. The
woman came home in a rage and ac-
cused her neighbor (one of the most
respected men in town) of stealing
her dog and taking it down to his
farm. He denied it and so she im-
mediately got into her car and drove
the seventy miles to his farm and
found no dog. Nor had the dog ever
been there.

And it is also said that "Little Joe"
has missed before. Indeed, he is said
to have predicted the death of his
mistress last summer, an event which
of course failed to take place. So,
those who dislike to place credence in
the prophecy of Sikeston's impending
disaster, can take consolation from
that thought.

Do you like surprises?

Mr. and Mrs. William Northington
of Kansas City and Mr. and Mrs. Ben
F. Marshall of Cape Girardeau will
spend Easter Sunday with Mrs. Flor-
ence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin.
A bread pudding will be "soggy
Taskee" and sad" if you use too large a por-
tion of bread to eggs. Or it may
come from cooking at too high a tem-
perature. It is much better to cook
any custard-like pudding in a pan of
water in the oven. The water keeps
the eggs from being over-cooked.

RIVER TO GO TO FIFTY-FIVE FT. AT CAIRO

Standing at 54 feet at Cairo at
noon Thursday, the Mississippi was
expected to reach a high crest of 55
feet late Sunday or early morning.
Additional rains through this sec-
tion are expected to send the river
still higher.

This information was received by
J. E. Dover at the Missouri Pacific on
Thursday morning. The message also
stated that the levee had broken at
Columbus, Kentucky Thursday after-
noon, and that the Illinois Central
had discontinued service out of
Cairo and that the Missouri Pacific
would cease operating, Friday.

At Cape Girardeau, the river was
at 37 feet Thursday morning and was
expected to go to 39 by Sunday.
Roads throughout Southeast Missouri
are blocked in a number of places,
No. 61 being the only highway in the
district entirely clear. Highway 60
between Poplar Bluff and Fisk is
flooded and is expected to be covered
to a depth by Saturday that will make
traffic impossible. Traffic is being
pulled through on this highway west
of Dudley where the water is 26 inches
deep and over the road in two
places, one extending a half mile; the
other, 1000 feet.

Route 25 is closed between Delta
and Dutchtown and is also impassable
in Dunklin County from the flooded
St. Francis. Route 84 from Kennett
to Arkansas line is also flooded and
reports were Thursday to the effect
that the only way of getting into
Kennett was by train, all highways
being impassable.

Ferry service at Birds Point was
discontinued Wednesday because of
the water over the highway between
that point and Charleston. West of
Charleston on No. 60, the water is
over the road to a depth of eighteen
inches and it is thought possible that
it will rise to a point where traffic
thru to Sikeston will be impossible.

The river front at Cape Girardeau
is again flooded with water all over
the station platform of the Frisco and
in the factory district.

Fear is expressed of the ability of
the levees stop the flood which is ex-
pected to be the severest since 1912.
Most of the levees are badly soaked
and the river is threatening to break
through at several points between
Cape Girardeau and Memphis.

DRAINAGE SEWERS TALK AT LIONS LUNCHEON

Sewers to take care of the surface
drainage were the theme of discus-
sion at the Lions Club luncheon at the
Hotel Marshall, Thursday. The discus-
sion was introduced by J. P. Whidden,
who pointed out the deplorable
conditions which were self evident.
C. F. Bruton pointed out the
harm that was being done to Sike-
ston by the adverse publicity given the
town by tourists on its streets and
drainage and stated that until some-
thing was done, the town could not
expect to prosper and grow. C. L.
Malone told of the struggle of the
Chamber of Commerce was making
to bring about the needed improve-
ments and asked the Club for its sup-
port. The Club unanimously voted to
back the Chamber of Commerce to
the best of its ability in putting over
this proposition.

Do you like surprises?

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rogers,
a son, April 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Baker are
the parents of a daughter born, Mon-
day, April 11.

It will be some surprise!

MESH BAGS. All the newest styles
in enameled bags. Come in and see
these.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

G. P. Van Arsdale, of the Hotel
Marshall, has been confined to his
rooms for the past ten days with an
attack of dizziness or vertigo, but
is now considerably improved and
will soon be about as usual.

A man living near Morehouse
brought to Sikeston Saturday last, a
rattle snake that he killed in his
chicken house that was more than a
yard long and as thick as the fore-
arm of a man. It had 16 rattles and
a button and was evidently the
granddaddy of all the rattlers in
Southeast Missouri.

It will be some surprise!
WATCH BRACELETS—Elgin,
Waltham, Illinois, the kind that give
satisfaction.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

George Lee was operated upon at
Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Monday
morning for gall stones. He had a
bad night following the operation
which was to be expected. Friends
here hope for a speedy recovery. La-
ter advices received Thursday morn-
ing were not at all satisfactory as sa-
line solutions were being resorted to.

Do you like surprises?

GRADUATION GIFTS. Diamonds,
watches, rings, pearls, etc.—C. H.
Yanson, Jeweler.

It will be some surprise!
FOR SALE—One angora cat. Apply
to Mrs. Sam Henson, 326 Fletcher,
phone 383.

SHOULD WE WASTE OUR MILLIONAIRES?

By Bruce Barton

About the best balanced, ablest
brain I have come into contact with
in America, is the brain of a certain
"international banker" in Wall
Street.

I have talked with statesmen, in-
ventors and captains of industry,
each great in his special way; but for
clear thinking, consistently sound
judgment and all around ability, this
man seems to me to surpass them all.
He would make a great secretary of
the treasury; every taxpayer would
benefit by his appointment. He
would make a great governor of the
Philippines, or secretary of agricul-
ture, or president of the United States.

But he will never be appointed or
elected to any of these positions, of
course. So far as the public service
is concerned, his talents are wholly
lost. There is nothing for him to do
but to go on making money, because
the people will not give him any sort
of public work to do.

And I submit that this is a very
great waste and ought to be changed
somehow.

We recognize business as an hon-
orable pursuit; it attracts the ambi-
tions and occupies the energies of a
very large percentage of American
men. Yet as soon as a man becomes
unusually successful in business, we
begin at once to suspect his motives,
question his integrity and cut him
off from all public preferment. Even
to have his support is almost suicide
for any candidate for office.

Some years ago Samuel Butler
wrote a book describing an imaginary
country—Erewhon.

"In Erewhon", he says: "He who
makes a colossal fortune in the hos-
iery trade, and by his energy has suc-
ceeded in reducing the price of wool-
en goods by the thousandth part of a
penny in a pound—this man is worth
ten professional philanthropists. So
strongly are the Erewhonians im-
pressed with this that if a man has
made a fortune of over twenty thou-
sand pounds a year, they exempt him
from all taxation, considering him as
a work of art, and too precious to be
meddled with. They say: 'How very
much he must have done for society
before society could be prevailed upon
to give him so much money.'"

Instead of refusing to let a million-
aire work for us in Washington, I
would compel him to work. As soon
as a man made a million. I would
say to his wives: "You are promoted now
to postmaster, or deputy sheriff, or
whatever; take that job and put into
it the same fine business abilities that
have made your own company suc-
cessful!"

Would we have a better govern-
ment or a worse if that were the
rule?

The story is told of a man who dis-
turbed a theatrical entertainment,
and being sized by some of the other
spectators, was about to be flung over
the balcony rail. At that drama-
tic moment an Irishman cried out:

"Don't waste him—don't waste
him. Kill a fiddler with him!"

If the object of society is to keep
men from getting too rich—to hurl
them down after they have reached a
certain height—let's hurl them down
in a way that will benefit someone.

Why waste them? Why not sen-
tence them to some public job and
make them work for us all?

GRADUATION GIFTS—Give an
Egin or Waltham watch, the kind
your grandfather wore.—C. H. Yan-
son, Jeweler.

FOR SALE—2 50-egg incubators.
Phone 904F3. 2t.

FOR RENT—2 light housekeeping
rooms. 234 Trotter.

FOR SALE—Range, in first class
condition. Phone 243.

FOR RENT—6-room house, modern.
Apply to John G. Russell.

LOST—Automobile license No. 420-
153. Return to Rev. Ensor.

FOR SALE—Lloyd baby buggy, navy
blue, with ivory running gear. Phone
219. 2t.

FOR RENT—2 unfurnished rooms.
Apply to Mrs. L. T. Davey, Front St.
Phone 208. 1t.

FOR RENT—5 rooms, with bath, wa-
ter and lights. Apply to W. W. Scott,
phone 489. 3t. pd.

FOR RENT—6-room house on Ruth
St. All modern conveniences. Inquire
Sikeston Mercantile Co.

FOR SALE—Baby chicks, ready for
delivery April 5, 12c each.—Frank
Albright, phone 906F13. 3tpd.

FOR RENT—6-room apartment in
Duplex house, furnace, bath and gar-
age, with or without cabin. Three
blocks from business district. Phone
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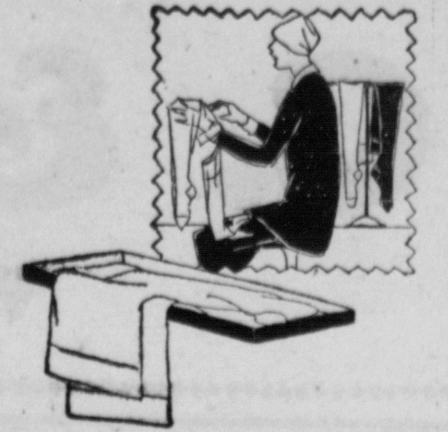
OFFICE OVER DUDLEYS

In Office Every Day

If you don't see me on the streets I'll
be in my office. I don't go out of town
any more. I have about all I can do
at home.

Snug Fitting Hosiery For Easter

Hosiery that is knit to fit snugly, yet
without stretching and straining in
a manner that will lessen its wear-
ing qualities. Wearing a pair even
one time will convince you of the
extra worth you receive in hosiery
purchased here.



To Meet Easter Footwear Demands

Smartly styled shoes to meet your
summer footwear demands are to be
found in this exceptional display of
new leathers and lasts.



Comfortable Little Shoes

Soft and pliable, yet sturdily, grace-
fully fashioned and with waterproof
soles, these are the best shoes in the
world for the little folks.



DRESSES

The new silhouette for
Easter wear is exception-
ally well developed in the
beautiful new dresses we
have for your selection.

May we show them to
you?

When choosing a

New Hat For Easter

Your entire Easter cos-
tume may be vivified by
the selection of a hat here.
A display that is of the
newest, new.

Brilliant New Dress

Accessories for Easter

To match one's access-
ories is the Easter vogue.
Each costume may be en-
hanced by the smart new,
carefully chosen details
here.

THE MATHIS STORE

One Door North of Peoples Bank

Tell Truth In Abyssinia

The whole fabric of Abyssinian
custom rests on the truth of its wives
and mothers. A woman may steal and
if successful, be regarded with ap-
proval for her thrift. She may mur-
der and get away with it, for her re-
lations are responsible for payment
of the blood debt. She may have a
dozen husbands, a score of lovers, and
retain not only her respectability but
also her unassailable virtue. But she
must not lie.

In all marriages the bridegroom
has to appoint two guarantors, who
are responsible, financially and mor-
ally, for his good behavior. The law
of Abyssinia allows a man to beat his
wife, but, should the woman com-
plain, the guarantors are forced to
pay her 75 cents every other day.

A dramatic story was told to me in
Lasta, a northern and almost unex-
plored province of Abyssinia. There
was a girl, young, slender and proud
featured, as are many descendants of
the 3600-year-old Jewish race which
lingers among the mountains, legacy
of the days when the son of Solomon
and the queen of Sheba ruled in
Abyssinia. Her parents married her
as a child to their friend and contem-
porary. Later, a youth of her own
age loved her and, having won her
heart, he shot her husband in the en-
suing quarrel. Since he had no blood
relations, it became the girl's duty to
avenge her dead lord. A gun was
forced into her hands. The first shot
missed. Her brothers dragged the
man down and held him. "Make no
further mistake," they said. The girl
fired into the grass. "Are you satis-
fied that the blood debt has been
paid?" demanded the policeman, ex-
pecting a negative and the reloading
of the ancient rifle.

"Yes," lied the girl magnificently.
"By the death of Menelik, I am!"
There was a pause of sheer amaze-
ment, for, with this oath—the most
solemn in the Abyssinian language—the
avenger acknowledges quittance
of all obligation. The lad went free,
and the girl was dragged to the
shearer.—Collier's.

You will be surprised!

It will be some surprise!

Use pineapple juice sometimes in
making the dressing for cabbage and
pineapple salad.

A considerable portion of the Maine
blueberry crop was saved for a process
invented in the United States Depart-
ment of Agriculture. The process,
which may be used without payment
of royalties to the inventors, effec-
tively removes maggots, debris and
unfit berries. The new method was
used with great success by nearly all
the canners in the infested areas.

Birds are important aids to agri-
culture, horticulture and forestry, ac-
cording to publications of the Biologi-
cal Survey of the United States De-
partment of Agriculture. They are
active everywhere. Flickers, black-
birds, robins and thrashers seek their
insect prey on or near the ground;
woodpeckers, nuthatches, titmice
and chickadees closely search the
trunks and limbs of trees; vireos and
warblers scan the leaves and probe
the flowers; and flycatchers and
swallows sweep their prey from the
air.

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ent ways. It stimulates growth. It
helps prevent diseases. If you can,
give the chicks milk to drink the first
6 or 8 weeks.

Internal remedies are ineffective
in removing external pests, such as
lice and mites, from livestock, says
the United States Department of
Agriculture. Since there are many
dips and other preparations that
will control such parasite when ap-
plied externally, much uncertainty
and delay may be avoided and best
results obtained at least cost by using
only tested and proved methods. Use
external remedies for external para-
sites, and internal remedies under
proper prescription for internal para-
sites, most of which are worms.

Opera House, Cairo Matinee Sunday 17 & Night APRIL 17

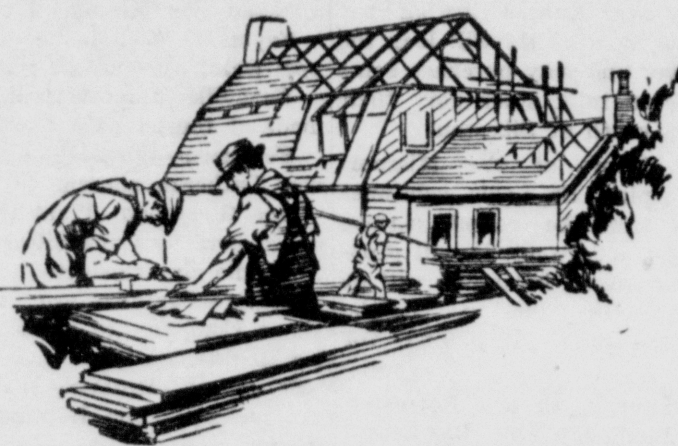


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sibility, but the growth of our business over a
number of years, we believe, proves that we
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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Washington, D. C., April 9.—The prosperity about which the Coolidge administration has boasted so much has been located. It is in the pockets of twenty-nine one hundredths of one per cent of the people of the country, as shown by the Treasury Department's analysis of income tax returns for the taxable year 1925.

The Treasury Department's analysis shows that twenty-nine one hundredths of one per cent of the people in the United States paid ninety-five per cent of the income taxes for 1925. It also showed that there were 207 millionaires in the country in 1925, compared with only 75 in 1924. It showed also that one-half of the taxes were paid by persons with incomes in excess of \$95,000. In other words, 10,000 persons paid as much in taxes as did the 3,337,000 other individuals who made income tax returns.

The analysis also showed that 82 per cent of the population paid no income tax whatever. The distressing thing is not the large amount of taxes paid by the millionaire class but rather that under prevailing economic conditions and policies, 82 per cent of the more than 115,000,000 people in the country were not able to earn enough money to make it necessary for them to pay even five cents in income taxes. While a few millionaires were enjoying incomes sufficient to require them to pay 95 per cent of all the income taxes, eighty-two per cent of the people were earning so little they weren't even required to make out a tax return.

The other side of the picture is disclosed by the latest figures on business conditions as reported by Dun's Review. For the first three months of 1927, there were 6643 commercial failures in the country, as compared with 6081 during the same three months of 1926. The liabilities involved in failure during the first quarter of 1927 amounted to \$156,121,853 an increase of approximately fifty million dollars over the amount involved in the failures for the first quarter of 1926. This is a greater number of failures than during one whole year under Woodrow Wilson and almost as great a number as during any year under Wilson.

Thus, while the "special favor" policies of the Coolidge administration made it possible for about one-fourth of one per cent of all the people to earn incomes requiring them to pay 95 per cent of the taxes, and enabled the Steel Corporation to earn dividends of more than \$134,000,000 82 per cent of the people of the country failed to earn enough to be required to pay any tax and more than 6600 of the business concerns of the country were going into bankruptcy within the short period of three months. The bankruptcy record of the first three months of this year has been exceeded by only two similar periods in the country's history, both in years of general depression.

The Treasury Department analysis also shows that a large part of the increased income of those who did enjoy "prosperity" came from the sale of property. This was from the sale of real estate and of securities on the stock exchanges. The real estate profits were largely from land booms, almost wholly from city property. Certainly these profits were not enjoyed by owners of farm property, in the value of which there has been a shrinkage of twenty billion dollars since 1921. Thus the "Coolidge prosperity" has been definitely located in the pockets of the 10,000 ultra-rich income taxpayers, including real estate and stock speculators.

Washington.—The wet and dry question is threatening a rift in President Coolidge's home state of Massachusetts, where the President's most intimate personal friend and adviser, Frank W. Stearns, has resigned from the Roosevelt Club which sponsored the prohibition debate between Senator Wm. E. Borah and Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University. Close friends of the President, including Mr. Stearns and Frederick H. Tarr, a United States District Attorney in Massachusetts, attempted to prevent the debate being held and Mr. Stearns refused to accept tickets to attend it, as did other of the President's friends. They attempted to have invitations to Senator Borah and Dr. Butler to discuss the prohibition question recalled, but were unsuccessful and anti-administration Republicans in Massachusetts, many of them followers of the late Senator Lodge, have been having a great deal of fun out of the Stearns wing of the Roosevelt Club as a result of their failure to prevent the wet and dry issue being stirred up.

COUNTY AND STATE CROPS

At the opening of the 1927 growing season, the farmers of Scott County estimate wheat at 75 per cent of an April normal, with rye 80 per cent, and pasture at 90 per cent. They report the cash rate of farms rented this year as \$5.50 per acre and plowlands alone at \$8.00. Farm wage rates at beginning of season average \$30 per month with board and \$45 without board, while day rates average \$1.50 with board and \$2.00 without board.

Jefferson City, April 14.—The Missouri 1927 wheat crop is now 80 per cent normal, compared to 72 per cent last April, 86 per cent in April, 1925 and 83 per cent for 10-year April average; a gain of 10 points over 73 per cent in December, 1926, according to E. A. Logan of the United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics and Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture.

Assuming a 9-year average abandonment of 3.6 per cent upon the 1,619,000 acres sown last fall, leaving 1,561,000 acres for harvest, with a 10-year average yield of 13.5 bushels,

the harvest might be 21,074,000 bushels, compared to 21,282,000 in 1926. Missouri wheat production has ranged from 21,000,000 to 22,000,000 bushels during past three years.

Missouri wheat got off to a poor start in the fall of 1926, having been sown late and much soil was in poor condition. Early sown wheat generally looks good, but late seedlings are small, and in some sections have been lost. The latter part of February and first half of March were favorable while in latter part of March the crop advanced but little. Heavy rains and overflows in creek and river bottoms have injured some of the best wheat. Winter kill will be average or less. Wheat on thin lands is poor.

Oat seedlings started in the latter part of February, advancing rapidly in early March, but seeding has been at a standstill during the past two weeks, so acreage will now probably be less than expected. Early seedlings in southern section are doing well, except washing rains have done some damage.

Fruits buds are in fair condition, with good prospect for strawberries and cane fruits, but peach buds suffered in all sections. Rains interfered with Orick potato plantings which according to seed receipts will be more than last year. Orick district acreage indication is 5750 acres against 5000 last year.

Conditions of rye 87 per cent, compared to 78 per cent last year, and 86 per cent 10-year average. Pastures are 88 per cent and quite promising, and, with average sunshine, livestock in southern counties can subsist without dry feed by middle of April. Spring lambs are more than last spring and cattle feeding about the same, with more feeders and stockers coming in than in 1926.

Cash rents are \$4.00 per acre, where whole farm is rented; \$5.30 per acre for plowland and \$2.75 per acre for pasture lands, although only a few of the better grade farms are rented for cash, while major portions are rented on shares and pastures on a livestock head basis.

Farm wages range about the same as at the opening of the year, with some slight decline in day rates. Farmers are hiring only absolutely needed help to keep up with the season. Milk and egg production show the usual seasonal advance.

Farm work has been delayed by excess moisture, and soaked fields will require much good weather before corn land can be prepared. Very little field and garden work has been done in most sections, outside of oats seeding. Hail severely damaged fruit and greenhouses in local areas. Roads in northern Missouri are bad.

You will be surprised!

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar at the church Saturday, offering for sale, colored Easter eggs, aprons, candies and other novelties. You are requested to attend.

RADISH SHIPMENTS START AT CARDWELL THIS WEEK

According to O. D. Hall, who was in Kennett Monday on business, shipments of radishes will start from Cardwell this week, and will get well under way next week. There are 400 acres of radishes in the vicinity of Cardwell this year, from which between 75 and 100 cars will be shipped. Market prices are now good and the outlook for the crop is excellent at this time. The Cotton Belt railroad is to build a large packing shed there.

In addition to the radish crop there are 50 acres of beets, 50 of carrots, 50 of tomatoes and 10 in turnips, all in the vicinity of Cardwell.

A feature of the radish crop is that another crop can be planted where they are grown, as they are harvested early. The largest single order for radish seed was the one sent from Cardwell this last spring.—Kennett News.

MISSOURI'S FARM STANDING

Jefferson City, April 11.—That Missouri is fifth among the 48 states in American agriculture, when figured on the basis of 1926 crops and January 1, 1927, livestock and poultry, is the springtime announcement of Secretary Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture. The standings on 69 kinds of principal crops, livestock production and values have been estimated separately, the average showing Missouri the fifth state.

For the ready reference of farmers, writers, speakers and statisticians, the following standings of Missouri crops and livestock are shown, as follows:

First in quality and quantity of bluegrass seed, yet second in actual number of bushels stripped and sold commercially; first in total number of kinds of crops and fruits; in each year always either first, second or third in number of poultry and the production and value of eggs; first or among the first each year in quality and production of soft red winter wheat.

Second in value per acre and fifth in acreage, production and farm value of rice; 2nd in acreage and 4th in production of clover hay.

Third in production and farm value and 4th in acreage of corn; 3rd in mules; 3rd in acreage and 4th in production of timothy hay.

Fourth in number of hogs; 4th in acreage and production of grains cut green for hay.

Fifth in acreage and 8th in production of tame hay; 5th in acreage and total value; 6th in production, with 25,620 acres of tomatoes grown for manufacturing purposes.

Sixth in acreage and 10th in production of oats; 6th in acre yield and 7th in acreage and production of broomcorn; 6th in yield per acre, 7th in value per acre and 11th in acreage, number of bales and total farm value of cotton.

Seventh in acreage of winter wheat for 1927 harvest; 7th in acreage and 11th in production of all hay; 7th in value and 12th in production of peaches; 7th in acreage and production of clover and timothy hay; 7th in total value of cattle, hogs, sheep, horses and mules.

Eighth in acreage and 9th in production of winter wheat; 8th in acreage and 9th in production of sorghum sirup; 8th in acreage and 9th in production of clover seed.

Ninth in acreage and production of flaxseed; 9th in acreage and 11th in production of millet, sudan and miscellaneous hay; 9th in value of the 22 principal farm crops; 9th in horses; 9th in farm crops; 9th in acreage of the principal farm crops; 9th in creamery butter production.

Tenth in milk cows; 10th in acreage and 12th in production in cucumbers for pickles.

Eleventh in acreage and 13th in acre yield of cowpeas; 11th in value and 13th in production of apples; 11th in production of pears; 11th in value of all cattle.

Twelfth in standing of all crops; 12th in acreage and 16th in production of potatoes.

Fifteenth in 1926 carlot shipments of apples, totaling 1464 cars, 11th in 1925, totaling 3056 cars of apples; 15th in Irish potato production.

Sixteenth in acreage and 17th in production of wild hay, 18th in commercial peaches, 20th in acreage of rye.

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The Paris Appeal asserts that W. J. Carter of Cotter has a "one hen farm" and that his records show Bidy made a profit of \$28.73 for him to January 1, 1927, she laid but 121 eggs but she hatched and reared 36 chicks. Pullet from this flock laid 136 eggs before January 1. The total feed cost for the hen and chicks was \$9.80, gross income and value \$38.53, leaving a net profit of \$28.73.

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Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Sarah E. St. Clair, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1927.

J. CLAUDE WYLLIE, Administrator

Notice Of Special City Election

Notice is hereby given that a special city election will be held in the Second Ward of the City of Skeston, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 26th, 1927, for the purpose of electing a Councilman from said Ward for the unexpired term of F. H. Smith, resigned.

That the polling place for said election in said Ward will be at Boyer's Garage and that said poll will be open for receiving votes continuously from six o'clock in the afternoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon on the aforesaid Tuesday, April 26th, 1927.

Dose by order of the City Council of the City of Skeston, this 6th day of April, 1927.

JOHN F. FOX, City Clerk.

Notice of Substituted Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, Lawrence Gangel and Katie Gangel, his wife, by their certain deed of trust dated the first day of May, 1924, and recorded in Book 49, Page 451 in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Scott County, Missouri on the 3rd day of June, 1924 at 10:10 A. M. conveyed to Southwest Trust Company, Trustee the following described real estate situated in the County of Scott, Missouri, to-wit:

The Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; West Half of the Northeast Quarter, and all that part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter lying West of the now constructed drainage ditch, running through said East Half of Northeast Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, except one acre more or less out of the Southeast corner thereof, being that part of same lying East of St. John's Drainage Ditch, and all of the above described land being in Section Nineteen (19), Township Twenty-eight (28) North, Range Fourteen (14) East.

This Deed of Trust subject to a trust deed of even date in the sum of \$8800.00.

In Trust to secure the payment of two notes in the sum of \$308.00 each, payable annually on the first day of January of each year, with interest at 6% from date, and by the terms of said trust deed same provides, that in event default be made in the payment of the interest upon said note, then both the interest and the principal shall, at the election of the payee of said note become immediately due and payable.

AND WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the interest upon said note, and the legal holder of said note has elected to declare and has declared the entire indebtedness secured by said trust deed due and payable immediately, and has elected to exercise its rights to foreclose conferred by the trust deed heretofore referred to;

AND WHEREAS, said deed of trust provides that in the event of the refusal, death, inability or absence from Scott County, Missouri of the trustee named in said deed of trust to act, then the owner of said indebtedness may appoint a successor in trust with full powers to act.

AND WHEREAS, Southwest Trust Company, Trustee in said deed of trust, has refused to act and has resigned as said trustee.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, H. D. Rodgers, having been appointed substitute trustee by Southwest Mortgage Company, which appointment has been duly recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in Scott County,

Missouri, at the request of Southwest Mortgage Company, and in pursuance of the conditions in said deed of trust, I, H. D. Rodgers, as substituted trustee will sell the above described property at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the Court House, same being the East entrance thereof, in the City of Benton, Missouri, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 16th, 1927

between the hours of nine A. M. and five P. M. for the purpose of satisfying said trust deed and all costs and expenses provided for therein.

Title is believed to be good, but I will sell only as Substituted Trustee.

H. D. RODGERS, Substituted Trustee.

J. C. Kincannon, Attorney, Memphis, Tennessee.

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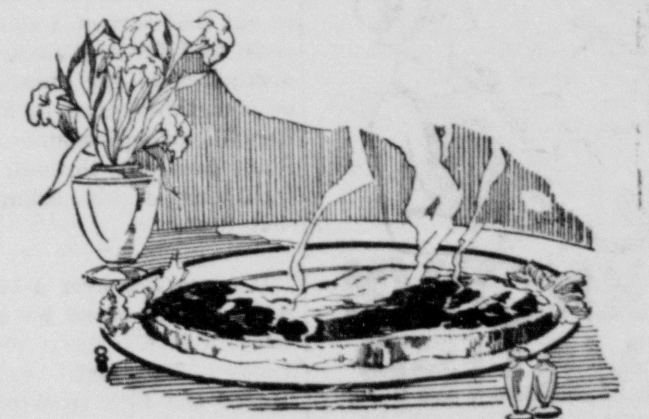
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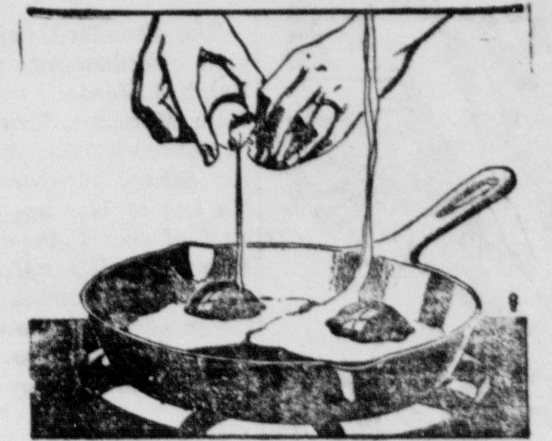
If you don't see me on the streets I'll be in my office. I don't go out of town any more. I have about all I can do at home.

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Smoke cured, juicy, luscious Ham with fresh country eggs for breakfast Easter morning—a dish fit for anyone.

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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Rates:
Display advertising, per single column inch, net.....25c
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Yearly subscription in Scott and adjoining counties.....\$ 1.50
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the United States.....\$ 2.00

Were you ever surprised?

Ed Coleman says, "I told you so."

If April showers make May flow-
ers, what on earth will this make?

We understand an evangelist stand-
ing in the pulpit here in Sikeston that
no one who attended the picture show
was a Christian; that no one attend-
ing a lodge was a Christian. These
radical rantings catch few flies, if he
really said them. He might have
added that no one who went to hell
was a Christian. The latter sounds
better to a lot of picture show and
lodge attendants than the former.

The Standard expects to co-operate
with Mr. Lang of the canning com-
pany, the county farm agent, and the
truck growing expert from the Agri-
cultural Department at Columbia, in
placing before the farmers informa-
tion as to care, work and gathering
such crops as may be grown in this
section for the cannery and for mar-
keting purposes.

Once in a great while The Standard
is accused of doing some good deed,
accidentally or otherwise. The pass-
ing of Dr. Johnson, the atheist, is
laid at our door and we are not com-
plaining.

Some of our city carrier boys have
caused The Standard to do much ex-
plaining and apologizing of late by
their failure to deliver papers as they
are paid to do. It looks to be an im-
possibility to find boys who can be re-
lied upon. The agent for the St. Louis
papers is having just such trouble.
Every paper day the boys are
cautioned to not pass subscribers, but
they do it occasionally just the same.
When you miss a paper, phone 137
and we'll try to get a paper to you.

Senator Caraway of Arkansas says
the Southern Democrats are 50 to 1
against Al Smith of New York for
president. Wonder just how he de-
pends out that sort of a slate. The South
is 50 to 1 for any Democrat who is
nominated in our guess. There must
be something good in him when the
Republican legislatures of New York
State has put through his program
each term of his administration in
that State.

If there was ever a time when Sik-
eston should stand as one for any-
thing, it is for storm sewers, and do
it now. This last heavy rain has
floated the filth from open pits and
scattered it all over the west and
southwest sections of the city. With
the waters receding and the sun shin-
ing hot, with myriads of flies and
mosquitoes breeding in this filth,
look out for an outbreak of typhoid
and other ills caused by such condi-
tions. The health department should
look over the situation and require
lime and disinfectant to be used in
generous quantities. Can't the Coun-
cil and our legal department find
some way in which the main sewer be
built at once, if no more?

The Standard enjoyed a pleasant
visit Wednesday afternoon from
Ralph A. Jordan, who was on his way
from Memphis, Tenn., to his home
in Columbia, Mo. He is a product of
the School of Journalism at Colum-
bia but of late has been one of the
staff of the Commercial Appeal at
Memphis. His wife is taking the
course at Columbia and is specializ-
ing in advertising and after she grad-
uates they hope to buy a country
weekly and live happily ever after.

R. L. Ward and Everett Reeves of
the law firm of Ward & Reeves,
Caruthersville, were Sikeston visitors
Tuesday. They were both wearing
mighty good clothes and evidently
are prospering under the Coolidge
good times.

When seeding a new lawn, it's a
good idea to put on about four bush-
els of well-rotted manure for each
100 square feet of ground. Work it
into the soil well. Then—before sow-
ing the seed—work from 2 to 3 lbs.
of some good garden commercial fer-
tilizer into each 100 square feet of
soil. If you can't get any manure,
use about twice as much commercial
fertilizer. This will speed up the
growth of the grass and furnish plant
food for several years.

It will be some surprise!

IN MY WAY

By Warren T. Kingsbury

I could not put the cover on my
typewriter and push the chair under
my desk for the last time did I not
say one last word. And that word
concerns the man with whom I have
been associated these past few
months, C. L. Blanton. It has been a
pleasant association to me—one that
I shall miss much. The informality
of the office—a happy family, sharing
confidences, joking with one another,
gathering together to discuss the lat-
est bit of gossip and laugh at the
latest escapade—the rush and bustle
of press days and the hurry to get the
paper out—the floor with its litter of
papers and disarranged aspect—
there's nothing like it!

Mr. Blanton is back at the cases.
Two little girls come in—school girls
with their books under their arms.
Back of the counter they come and
stop a few feet from him. Their
faces light up expectantly. He looks
up from his work, peers down at
them from under his glasses. "What
is it, girls?" he asks, a knowing smile
upon his face.

"Have you any scrap paper?"
comes the question.

"Well, I don't know girls—we'll
see", and he lays aside his work and
comes up to the paper cutter to see if
there are any scraps that may be
used for scrap paper. The chances are
there is some paper and each girl
gets a handful. Sometimes there is
not any. A disappointed look comes
upon the children's face. "Well,
girls", he says, "no paper, but do you
think an ice cream cone would do just
as well?" The smile comes back—
they shyly take the nickel he places
in their hands and go out, the happi-
est children on earth. And he turns
back to his work, chuckling.

That is one characteristic of the
man I most admire—his love for chil-
dren. I cannot help thinking that the
friendships he has collected by
spreading joy amongst them is far
greater treasure than the material
wealth that may have been amassed
by any of his neighbors.

There is another side to him that I
admire—his fearlessness—the cour-
age with which he expresses his hon-
est opinions—his impartiality or,
rather, I should say his utter disre-
gard for personalities—his honesty.

And there is that about him I value
most highly—his friendship. It is a
friendship that has no limits and I
hope I may ever merit it. I feel that
Sikeston is rarely fortunate in having
such a man as the editor of its paper
and it is with sorrow that I place for
the last time, the Journalistic end-
mark (30) on my copy and take my
leave of him and his force.

DUCK LAW CORRECTED

A new law of interest to duck hunt-
ers provides that Missouri sportsmen
may begin hunting ducks one-half
hour before sunup. This makes the
Missouri law conform to the federal
law. Heretofore, the Missouri law
did not permit hunting of ducks and
other migratory birds before sunup,
notwithstanding that the federal reg-
ulations permitted shooting to begin
one-half hour before sunup.

Do you like surprises?

Using a small-top pail when milking
aids in keeping milk clean, ac-
cording to the United States Depart-
ment of Agriculture. Since it has
only a small opening through which
dirt may fall, it results in less sedi-
ment in the milk. Pails of this kind
are on the market, but any tinner can
convert an ordinary pail into a small-
top milk pail by addition of a hood.

The term cull potatoes is usually
applied to those that are small, mis-
shapen or those that are over-size,
and, therefore, not suitable for the
market. If these are from healthy
and productive plants, they may be
safely used, provided that the tubers
used for seed be not less than 1 1/4
inches in diameter. When the parent-
age of the so-called cull potatoes is
not known, they should never be used
for seed.

Thumps, a disease of hogs corre-
sponding in outward symptoms to
hiccoughs in man, is most frequently
due to the presence of larval worms
in the lungs, a serious matter result-
ing in death or stunted growth in
many cases. It is occasionally due to
disease of the digestive tract, or to
lack of exercise. If worms are re-
sponsible for the trouble, give the
hog one drop of chenopodium for
each two pounds of live weight. Mix
the chenopodium with two ounces of
castor oil for each hog. The dose of
chenopodium for adult animals is
from 2 to 4 cubic centimeters. For
young pigs the dose should be de-
creased according to age, size and
condition. Always have a veterinar-
ian administer the treatment, as
otherwise accident or poor results
will probably be the outcome. When
digestive troubles are causing thumps
withhold food for a day, then give
the infected animal 3 to 6 ounces of
epsom salts.

You will be surprised!

SOME SCOTT COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Instructions For Tomato Growing

The best plants can be grown in
cold frames which can be made with
1x12 boards set on edge around the
plant bed. This frame should be six
feet wide and from 10 to 12 feet long
for each acre. It should be located on
fertile well drained soil. The cold
frame can be covered with a cheap
grade of muslin by sewing two strips
together. One quart of commercial
fertilizer should be raked into the
cold frame to each 12 foot bed. Mark
off the rows 6 inches apart and sow
the seed thinly, not thicker than 3 to
4 seeds to the inch of row, covering
the seed about one-half inch deep. As
soon as the plants are well up culti-
vation should be started.

Spray the Plants

Plants must be sprayed as thor-
oughly as in enclosed leaflet 24, "To-
mato Plant Bed Spraying".

The Handling of Plants

During warm weather the cover
should be thrown back in the day
time to allow the plants to grow
sturdily. The cover should be remov-
ed a week or ten days before the
plants are set in the field to insure
proper hardening.

Preparing Land in Field

If planting is to be done by hand,
rows should be marked off in both di-
rections, 5 feet between rows, 4 feet
between plants in row. This will give
2178 plants to an acre. The amount
of fertilizer to be applied to the acre
should be divided and one-half of it
drilled in the row the other drilled in
the opposite direction in the cross
marks. By this method a wider dis-
tribution of the fertilizer will be given.
If you have no one row fertilizer
drill an ordinary cotton drill can be
used for this work.

If planting is to be done with a ma-
chine all fertilizer will have to be
drilled in the row.

The kind and amount of fertilizer
to be used on various types of land is
suggested as follows:

Sandy Soil 250 to 300 pounds of 3-
8-6.

Sikeston Ridge 250 to 300 pounds
of 3-12-4.

Black Sandy Soil 250 to 300 lbs. of
2-12-6.

Very Fertile Black Sandy Soil 250
to 300 pounds of Acid Phosphate.

Regardless of fertility of the soil,
commercial fertilizer should be used.
250 pounds of fertilizer on 24 tests in
Missouri in 1925 gave an average in-
crease of three tons per acre over
non-fertilized land.

Transplanting

After all danger of frost is over
which should be about May 15 and
when plants have grown to a height
of 6 to 10 inches they are ready to
set in the field. A few hours before
plants are to be taken to the field,
they should be thoroughly watered.
In taking them up they should be
lifted with a spading fork to save
all the roots. The plants should be
kept shaded while being taken to the
field. It is a customary practice to
set the plants as deep as possible in
the field which is usually about three
or four inches deeper than they stood
in the plant bed.

Other timely suggestions on toma-
to production will follow from time to
time, likewise, material on beans will
follow within a few days.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

The play, "Kitty's Arrival", given
by the high school faculty, Friday of
last week, was presented to a crowd-
ed house. Much praise is due all who
took part. Miss Kathryn Sackman

Easter Footwear for All the Family at Money Saving Prices



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to Buy Some Needed
Article

Our purchasing power insures
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You will need a new pair of shoes to complete your
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certainly deserves much credit for the
coaching and directing of the play
Mesdames G. D. Steele, G. D. En-
glehart and Dennis Williams shop-
ped in Sikeston, Saturday.

Alfred Deane and Mrs. Willa Alsop
drove to Cape Girardeau Saturday.
Mr. Alsop accompanied them home
to spend the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sackman of
Cape Girardeau attended the play
given here Friday night at the high
school auditorium. Miss Sackman
accompanied her parents home to
spend the week-end.

With the continued rains and the
ditches overflowing, the wheat that
showed such wonderful prospect, the
farmers are unable to do a thing. Out
west in what is known as, the Eight
Hundred, the farmers are losing their
pigs, the water covering nearly all
the ground. On top of it all, the bank
closed on Thursday. While there is
no one to blame only just such con-
ditions as is facing the farmers to-
day. Frozen loans, which had crops,
low prices making the farmers un-
able to pay. There is no shortage, no
misappropriated money, but yet those

who lost are at a loss what to do.

Mrs. Emma Mecklem and Miss
Nancy Mecklem of New Madrid at-
tended the play here Friday night.

Misses Ruth Jones and Juanita
Cunningham of Sikeston attended the
play here Friday night.

Mesdames L. F. Swartz and G. D.
Englehart shopped in Sikeston Fri-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Noyse, Mrs.
Harry Buckles, Mr. and Mrs. Ben
Sells, Jr., and Mrs. Gid Daniels and
little daughter attended the play here
Friday night.

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